

# Coolidge Proclaims Day Of Mourning

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Here is the very latest photograph of President Coolidge, taken at the home of his father where he took the oath of office early in the morning. The President's mother is dead. Before leaving for Washington he visited her grave. Standing with his right hand on the shoulder of Calvin, Jr is the father, John C Coolidge, 78, although he doesn't look his age, who administered the oath of office to his son. In the group are Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge and their sons, Calvin, Jr., and John and Joseph Coolidge, the President's father.

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# Latest News From The Oil Fields

## Three Thousand Barrel Well Is Added To Luling

LULING, Texas, August 5.—Making three thousand barrels of pure pipe line oil, the Meriwether Number four well of the Greengrove Oil company is the latest producer to be completed in this field. Settling casing at 2100 feet, the well was drilled to a depth of 2112 feet after having penetrated the pay a distance of only a few feet. The completion of the Number four well for this company makes six producers for them out of six tests, all of which are located on a seven-acre tract now considered one of the most valuable small tracts in the entire southwest. This well also makes the tenth producer on the Meriwether farm and the eighteenth to be completed in the greater Luling field.

Five additional producers are looked for within the next few days four of which are in the proven area and one located in wildcat territory. This well, the Ross Number One of the Witherspoon Oil company, after having bailed considerable oil, is being drilled deeper in the hope of striking the big pay of the main Luling structure.

A test that is attracting considerable attention is the Seal Creek Oil company, Inc. well on the Procter farm which is now down 1200 feet. The log of this well shows it to be checking with the Meriwether producers and its completion as a well will mean a considerable southwest extension to the main field.

As a result of the many completions within the past ten days and the large demand for Luling crude, which is being cared for by five pipe lines, this field is probably the most active in Texas.

## Mexia-Corsicana District Output

The following daily production report for the week ending July 31, 1923, is taken from the Mexia-Corsicana District Office of the Oil and Gas Division of the U. S. Geological Survey.

Mexia.	Barrels
Greengrove Oil Co.	21,156
Meriwether Oil Co.	5,500
Witherspoon Oil Co.	2,760
W. J. Parker	2,745
Galena Signal Oil Co.	2,500
Greengrove Petroleum Co.	2,500
Greengrove Oil Co.	2,500
Atlantic Oil Co.	2,320
H. J. Parker	1,715
Galena Signal Oil Co.	1,000
Sun Company	600
Daniger Oil Co.	500
The Texas Company	500
Owenwood Oil Co.	500
Houston Oil Company	210
Monarch	50
Miscellaneous	1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>55,985</b>
<b>Last Week</b>	<b>55,415</b>

Corsicana	Barrels
Woodson &weeney	1,500
Humphreys Co.	1,000
K. Hughes	600
Boothers Oil Co.	225
Newlock Oil Company	415



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Mexia, Texas

Homaoka Oil Company	420
Gulf Production Co.	370
Trapshooters Oil Co.	190
Owden Oil & Ref. Co.	90
Texas Company	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,910</b>
<b>Last week</b>	<b>4,905</b>

Richland	Barrels
Sun Company	125
Panhandle Oil & Ref. Co.	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>135</b>
<b>Last week</b>	<b>210</b>

Total Mexia district	55,985
Last week	55,415

Powell	Barrels
Humble Oil & Ref. Co.	31,865
J. K. Hughes	18,200
McMann Oil Company	10,835
Humphreys et al.	10,460
Gulf Prod. Co.	8,940
M. L. Smith Oil Co.	8,595
Roxana Pet Corp.	4,845
Sun Company	3,965
Munger-Dowers et al.	3,010
Witherspoon Oil Co.	2,920
Mitchell & Jones	2,800
U. S. Tex.	985
Thompson et al.	910
Corsicana (heavy)	400
Corsicana (light)	275
<b>Total</b>	<b>109,815</b>
<b>Last week</b>	<b>80,280</b>

Combined total	165,195
Last week	135,695

Houston—A big orchard of six thousand acres is to be set out on the old Turnbow Ranch thirty-five miles south of Houston according to E. O. Glenn, president of the Texas Orchards company.

Judge Fountain Kirby was in town Friday enroute to Corsicana on business.

**WANTED TO BUY.**—Good milk cows must be giving an average of three gallons per day, and priced reasonable. Box 58—News.

**WANTED AT—**Wardrobe exchange fall suits, dresses and hats. Also dress making. Everything dry cleaned and pressed. Furs relined, made over. 213 N. McKinney. Phone 557-J. —5E7

**POSTMASTER PRAISES MEXIA NEWS EDITORIAL**

Mexia, Texas, August 4, 1923.

Mr. A. G. Adair, Editor News.

Dear Mr. Adair: Although our politics differ, I feel like patting you on the back and saying "Amen" to your editorial expressions in Friday's News on the death of Our Beloved President Warren G. Harding. I would to the Lord that we had more like The News, or men who have the nerve to express themselves as you have done on this occasion.

Very respectfully yours,  
Isidore Newman.

## Prominent West Side Woman Died

Alice, wife of Reid Pierson, living on the west side of town, died Thursday night as the result of injuries received recently in an automobile accident.

The Piersons are among the most prominent negroes of Mexia, where they have lived for many years, and are well to do financially as well as prominent in business and church and social affairs.

Alice will be missed, not only by her own race, but by the white people as well, and especially the white ladies who depended largely upon her to keep their hair properly dressed, and in that capacity she was an expert.

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## Mexia Twenty Years Ago

Compiled By N. P. Houx  
From Files of Mexia Evening News  
Of August 2, 1903.

Joe Denning came up from Groesbeck to spend Sunday at home.

Miss Ruby Munger of Birmingham, Ala., who has been visiting relatives here, has gone to Austin to visit.

Master Elbert Crawford of Houston, is visiting the family of H. L. Hall.

Hon. John L. Wortham passed through the city going south Sunday.

W. B. Kendrick went down to Thornlon Sunday, to spend several days.

Mrs. Hugh Everett and son, Master Estel, and Miss Carrie Everett left Monday night for Lumpkin, Ga., to spend a few weeks visiting Miss Everett's father.

Mrs. V. Wolverton has returned from Waxahachie where she has been attending the Chautauqua.

Mrs. I. Newman and little daughter, Miss Josie, have returned from Galveston and other points south.

**Editorial.**—The Dallas News says: "Dallas county worries along with an average of eight marriages and twelve births a day." That looks like a pretty big percentage of twins.

**Died.**—Mrs. Barbara K., wife of J. W. Stubenrauch, died at the family home west of the city Thursday night after a long and painful illness. The funeral occurred Thursday afternoon from the Catholic church, and Father

Gleisener of Hearns conducted the services.

The local lodge of Odd Fellows installed officers, and there are still living here the following: John Vaughan, V. G.; I. Newman, secretary; A. M. Stevens, C. J. Sterling, J. C. C. Keys, Wm. Reek, and A. D. McDonald, appointive officers. Past Grand N.P. Houx acted as installing officer.

The Knights of Pythias installed officers, of whom the following are still living here: W. M. White, C. C. Dr. R. B. Jackson, M. of W.; J. P. Anderson, I. G. Jos. E. Long now of Cleburne and J. W. Reid, now of Canyon City, were also officers.

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**Corsicana.**—High tension transmission lines from the Waco station to and through the Corsicana oil fields are being constructed by the Texas Power and Light company to afford power for oil field operations. This company is also extending transmission lines between Tyler, Athens and Palestine.

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**DUNAWAY GOES ON VACATION**

J. P. Dunaway of the Kaufman Street Grocery has been busy the past few days getting hooks, lines, sinkers and corks in shape for that big fish.

He expects to angle in the briny waters of the Gulf of Mexico, the destination being Corpus Christi. After fishing for a few days, he will also visit his aged father at Lamson, Alabama, who will be 88 years old his next birthday. Mr. O. Y. Manning, who recently acquired an interest in the Kaufman Street Grocery, will be in charge of the business during Mr. Dunaway's absence.

B. B. Simmonds is spending the week-end in Corsicana on business.



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## Welch Motor Company Displays Latest Ford Family Addition.

Ford and Fordson dealers, are now displaying in their show room the latest addition to the Ford family—Ammonium Sulphate.

Ford Ammonium Sulphate is a by-product of the River Rouge coke ovens. At the present time, thirty tons daily are being obtained and it is Mr. Ford's intention to place it in the hands of farmers needing a high-grade nitrogen fertilizer, selling it through his dealers at a price representing cost of production.

Farmers are well acquainted with the value of applying cotton seed and cotton seed meal to their land. Some idea of the value of Ford Ammonium Sulphate as a nitrogen carrier may be obtained by the fact that it takes 200 pounds of cottonseed meal, 1600 pounds of ordinary fertilizer or 4000 pounds of good stable manure, to equal 100 pounds of ammonium sulphate in nitrogen content.

Our most progressive farmers, merchants and bankers realize that the time is not far distant when our farm lands, under the present system of crop growing, will be depleted of this life giving element of nitrogen. Even where crop rotation is practiced the amount of nitrogen extracted is many times greater than that supplied by plowing under legumes, etc. While nothing will supplant proper cultivation of the soil, the use of ammonium sulphate together with any other element the soil may need, will insure a continuous maximum production.

Mr. Ford, himself a farmer until twenty-one years of age, and conceded by all the foremost thinkers of this age is constantly bending his energies and the vast resources at his command to better the farmers' economic condition and make life on the farm what he says it should be—the most pleasant and profitable occupation in the world, instead of a drudgery.

## Baseball

Anheuser, Waco's new first baseman with an average of .377 is the leading hitter of the Texas Association for games including those of July 24, while Hub Northern of Mexia is only one point behind. Don Flynn, now with Waco, continues, however, as the real leader with an average of .383 for 71 games played. Don is also the leading home run swatter, having smacked out 13. Tom Lacy of Sherman continues to climb, and now has an average of .313, but Pipkin of Marlin has slipped from .371 to .322. Butler of Mexia continues to rank among the leaders with an average of .314, while Lacy, formerly of Corsicana, but now with Waco, is still well over the .300 mark with an average of .322. Holtz, Corsicana's

new first baseman, has an average of .324 for his first nine games played. Simpson and Chatham of Marlin are climbing, each having an average of .295.

Gillespie, Austin's hard-hitting outfielder, who boasts of an average of .322, is the leading run getter of the association with 68, but he is closely pressed by Malmquist of Corsicana. Lewis of Sherman and Butler of Mexia.

Following are the averages:

PLAYER	G	A	B	R	H	R	A	V
Anheuser, W	14	58	5	20	0	377		
Northern, Mx	34	93	22	35	3	376		
Flynn, W	71	268	53	97	18	362		
Bryan, Mx	59	224	38	73	2	325		
Holtz, C	9	37	4	12	2	324		
Lacey, C	57	186	30	60	5	322		
Pipkin, M	95	331	47	106	8	322		
Gillespie, A	96	368	68	125	5	322		
Pyle, S	100	397	61	127	3	318		
Butler, Mx	101	397	64	125	2	314		
Gressett, M	56	143	18	44	2	308		
Barrett, W	21	86	14	26	5	302		
Ferguson, W	40	137	19	41	4	299		
Chatham, M	100	369	54	109	11	295		
Simpson, M	53	210	24	61	1	295		
Bechtel, Mx	63	227	41	67	3	295		
Jones, C	22	86	11	25	0	291		
McIver, S	96	335	48	97	13	289		
Malmquist, C	98	367	65	98	2	286		
Shires, W	73	265	40	78	2	284		
Leedy, Mx	97	383	55	95	11	282		
Hudspeth, C	22	82	5	23	1	280		
Autrey, A	67	200	21	55	4	275		
Henderson, A	57	198	26	55	12	273		
Erwin, S	39	124	14	35	0	272		
Lewis, A	63	254	33	69	0	271		
Meanor, S	83	310	42	84	0	270		
Clements, A	98	399	50	107	9	269		
McKay, S	73	281	35	70	3	268		
Munch, W	23	45	1	12	1	266		
Greer, M	70	247	26	65	5	263		
Whitworth, A	53	149	21	39	1	261		
Untz, Mx	77	261	47	68	6	260		
Boone, C	28	58	7	15	2	259		
Stovall, Mx	16	39	7	10	0	258		
Grubb, C	33	125	53	82	9	252		
Dockery, M	69	255	35	64	9	251		
Craig, S	85	294	36	74	5	251		
Flagg, S	30	151	21	38	0	251		
Crow, Mx	56	191	13	48	2	251		
Comstock, W	33	137	22	35	0	248		
Bupp, W	95	336	44	83	2	247		
Songotta, C	70	247	28	66	2	247		
Siemer, C	85	324	33	80	2	247		
Collins, A	24	65	4	16	0	246		
Sain, C	90	346	43	85	6	246		
Royster, Mx	78	298	43	73	1	245		
Holloway, A	82	310	47	75	15	242		
Whitney, Mx	99	360	59	87	3	242		
Schroyer, W	90	300	32	74	2	241		
Geppert, Mx	101	394	58	95	2	241		
Richburg, S	30	87	9	21	3	241		
Giggs, A	72	287	33	69	4	240		
Canton, A	16	71	10	17	0	239		
Covington, M	35	114	13	27	0	237		
R. Johnson, A	38	117	33	75	6	236		
Speagle, A	91	356	42	83	1	233		
Lowrance, W	45	159	25	37	7	232		
Hovell, Mx	80	289	34	67	0	231		
Lewis, S	100	406	65	105	2	231		

Montgomery, C	12	39	5	9	0	281
Waller, W	95	338	46	78	7	231
Falk, A	49	188	24	43	6	229
Arjugo, C	30	75	7	17	0	227
Muns, S	36	124	11	28	0	226
Flohart, A	22	62	10	14	8	226
Alexander, M	74	235	31	52	5	221
McCaw, Mx	16	38	6	7	0	219
Tiner, Mx	42	121	10	26	0	215
Clapp, Mx	91	257	48	77	1	215
A.R. Johnson	16	42	4	9	0	214
Strickland, W	50	198	32	42	0	212
Chaney, A	102	382	61	81	7	212
McElwee, A	43	166	23	35	5	211
C. Hill, Mx	29	90	4	19	0	211
Schieffer, S	69	215	20	46	3	201
Lenoir, W	47	149	22	29	0	194
Battle, A	17	62	3	12	0	194
R. Hill, W	40	98	5	19	1	194
Reynolds, W	16	57	6	11	1	193
McClain, Mx	19	21	3	4	0	190
Lind, S	23	92	7	17	0	184
Green, W	13	41	1	7	0	181
Thomas, M	27	59	1	10	0	169
Cantrill, C	30	84	10	14	0	167
Sewell, S	22	60	0	10	0	167
Andrews, M	29	74	6	12	0	162
McCarty, Mx	22	40	2	6	0	150
White, M	89	321	25	58	0	149
Ludwig, Mx	29	66	6	9	0	141
Brooks, A	26	62	2	8	0	129
C. Johnson, Mx	10	25	2	3	0	120
Meeks, Mx	11	19	4	3	0	115
Edgar, S	30	72	3	7	0	110
Scruggs, S	12	28	3	3	0	107
Schmid, W	24	59	3	5	0	104
Word, M	15	42	1	2	0	107

Waco.—More than seventy-five independent telephone men attended the district meeting of the Texas Independent Telephone Association last week in this city. R. B. Still, president of the association told about plans for securing capital for independent telephone investment.

## OVER A HUNDRED BALES GINNED AT COOLIDGE PAST WEEK

Cotton is now being ginned in all parts of Limestone and Freestone counties. Gins at practically all points will be running steadily within a few days. At Coolidge, the week ends

with two gins running there and during the week over one hundred bales have been ginned. Cotton around Coolidge, in spots, is good, while a short crop throughout Limestone county is certain. The drought has been so prolonged that the entire section is suffering and this is falling most heavily on the burdened shoulders of Limestone farmers.

Amarillo.—Resumption of the electric street car service in this city after suspension of two weeks for repairs to the tracks and equipment has pleased the people and added patronage has followed.

**MINIMUM WAGE FOR CLERGY**  
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Dallas.—The block signal system in this city that was installed about a month ago is working out. C. J. Crampton of the Dallas Railway company told the Rotary club that the system has reduced accidents for his company.

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Every motorist is daily impressed with the greatly increased traffic and its consequent danger. There are three times as many cars on our streets today as there were five years ago.

Yet police tests show that 2,500,000 cars have faulty brakes today—one out of every four. Brakes have assumed a new overwhelming importance to every car owner.

Safety isn't a matter of how fast you are going, but how quickly you can stop. Statistics show that out of nearly 600,000 motor accidents of last year, approximately 65 per cent occurred at fifteen miles an hour or less. These accidents happened not because the driver was speeding, but because the driver couldn't stop in time. His brakes may have worked well enough in little emergencies, but when the big test came they failed to hold as they should—and the newspapers got the story.

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## CONFIDENCE BEGETS CONFIDENCE

"Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as a little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall give one such little one in my name, receiveth me. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea."—Matt. 18-

The first duty of a parent is to his child. The child has a right to be grounded in the principles which will make his life happy and successful. The teaching of children in the way they should go requires knowledge, patience and sincerity, and, above all, an example on the part of the parent as to right living. Children are imitators and very often follow in the way of the parents.

Do you as a parent set the example you should for your children? Do you treat them as inferior beings, or do you instill in them a spirit of self-confidence by putting confidence in them? Confidence begets confidence.

Do you take them to church with you and do you answer them frankly the questions of life which they are entitled to know? The church will help you answer your child's questions and is one great force which is holding the family together as a Christian unit.

RETAIL PRICE OF FOOD RISES WHILE  
FARM PRODUCTS DECLINE.

Thirteen articles of food—all of them but two produced by Mexican farmers—increased in price at retail in the month of July 15 to June 15, although practically all agricultural products, including livestock, were declining in value at the farm, according to the official figures of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics. These articles and the rate of increase in price for each were as follows: Potatoes 19 per cent; round steak, 5 per cent; sirloin steak, leg of lamb, and onions, each 4 per cent; chuck roast and bananas, each 3 per cent; rib roast 1 per cent; ham and fresh eggs, each 1 per cent; and vegetable lards and substitutes and tea, each about one per cent.

By way of comment on this rise in the cost of living to consumers, it is interesting to reproduce a paragraph from the August issue of Agriculture's publication, "Weather, Crops and Markets," page 27, for July 14:

"The prices for meat animals—hogs, cattle, sheep and goats—decreased 5.1 per cent from May 15 to June 15," says this authoritative bulletin. "In the past 10 years as measured in like period 1 per cent. On June 15 the index of prices for these meat animals was about 16.3 per cent lower than a year ago, 4.1 per cent lower than two years ago, and 28.2 per cent lower than the average for the past 10 years."

It is the old familiar story. The producer is getting less, the consumer is paying more.

FARMERS ARE "RAINBOW CHASERS" SAYS  
SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.

With the farmers of the country in revolt against Republicanism, the officials of the administration and other Government spokesmen are now trying to blame the farmer for the present unsatisfactory condition of agriculture. According to an article in the Secretary of Agriculture Wallace in the Washington publication, the Spotlight, formerly the Searchlight, the leaders of the farmers are called "mushy" and the farmers themselves are ridiculed as "rainbow chasers". We quote from the article:

"If farmer leaders would stop shouting about the farmer's need duty to feed and clothe the world, farmers would be better off. The Secretary indicated that this sort of talk was just soft, pinkish stuff."

"They ought to have more of the iron that labor leaders use in their make up," he said.

"Farmers, generally speaking, are in pretty desperate straits; is there anything they can do, collectively, which will put them out?" I suggested.

"You know them and their leaders, as well as I do," the Secretary replied, "they won't pull together; they go off chasing rainbows and get sore tracked too easily."

"No, the problem is only for the individual farmer to solve and overcome the situation; increasing his per acre production, taking care of his unit of cost, hiring less help, and doing everything and running everything that he can by his own efforts," the Secretary said.

"You know the problem is really solving itself," he continued. "Mr. Secretary," I asked.

"The Secretary Wallace explained as follows: 'The individual farmer, that is, the farmer who is on the edge of solvency, either through disadvantageous location, or with reference to markets, or the farmer who is on the edge of the inefficient farmer—farmers like these are the ones who are going into the cities.'

"The Secretary said labor wages are going to come down, due to the depression, and in this way a proper ratio between the productivity of the farmer and the industrial worker will be restored."

"The Secretary has the solution of the agricultural problem in his own hands," the administration authority. When enough farmers are driven from their farms to the cities by failure to

make a living, then farm production will decrease to the point where the surviving farmers will get a higher price for their products and labor will get lower wages by reason of the increased supply of labor provided by the impoverished farmers.

What will the farmers think of this solution by the Cabinet officer of the Harding administration in charge of their interests, and how does it harmonize with the promises of agricultural prosperity made to the farmers in the campaign of 1920 and repeated in 1922?

## CENTRAL TEXAS PRESS

By N. F. Egge.



## The Meanest Man.

Talk about the "meanest man." He may be in other places, but he recently got away long enough to come to Mexico (doesn't make this city his regular home, thank you), and invaded the Daily News office and attempted to get off with three of our much needed buzz fans, but left two of them in the middle of the floor and only got away with one, which belonged in the business office. The mercury goes up, to 100 in this office every day, so it is easy to understand that we need fans. But he didn't bother "our" fan, which is a common looking thing without a shield—looks like a Ford with the body lifted off—so we still get our breeze, even though it is often only hot air. Any man that would steal a fellow's fan such weather as this is a low down, pusillanimous, knocked kneed, pigeon toed, blankity, blank, blank, blank, and when he dies he better take that fan with him for he "shore" will need it.

A Terrell tightwad says his favorite hymn is "Jesus paid it all."—Terrell Transcript.

Which brings to mind the next line of the song, "All to him I owe," so the tightwad must disgorge finally, or go to—

It is difficult enough these hot summer nights to sleep, but when one is compelled to combat nature and a howling dog chorus every night, it is no wonder that we lose our religion.—Denison Herald.

What did you say, Ellis, can't you print it?

Now word comes from San Antonio a golfer will start by moonlight Friday morning at 1 o'clock in an effort to break the world's Marathon golf record. If we must have marathons why not make them on something of value to you and your country. Cotton picking is now on so we suggest that some one start a marathon cotton picking contest.—Bryan Eagle.

Good suggestion, but some people don't like to take advice.

We have been able to convince all of the multitude except Major Houx of the Mexico News, that the back yard of the Journal is situated right over the mother oil pool. You had just as well fall in line Major, for there ain't going to be no opportunity to say, "I told you so."—Groesbeck Journal.

Wouldn't mind falling in line, George, if the "line" leads to something more than a wildcat.

Marathons are merely contests to ascertain how long the contestants can keep awake, and whether it be automobile, dancing, piano-playing, shooting craps, or spitting at a mark, it is absolutely certain that any of those things will keep one awake longer than honest toil will.—Geo. Bailey in Houston Post.

In the old days when certain places in Santone never did close, they had drinking marathons, and if there had been records kept it is very likely that no one nowadays would attempt to break it—except "in kind."

Brothers, please ship out two or three hundred car loads of our big watermelons. We can't consume the crop, though we are bothered now from trying to. We could swim a mile in the watermelon juice we have spilled on our shirt front already this summer.—Palestine Herald.

Goes to your legs does it? That is not the way the "boneless" affects us. It gives us "aldermanic proportions."

During August, and while crops are "laid by," the Recorder will be published in as small form as possible, in order that we, too, may have some vacation during the "dog days," thereby enabling us to enjoy the luscious watermelons, fruits, etc., and also to have a little time to try our skill catching the little fishes. After August, we will begin with renewed energy and activity, to try to give you the best County Paper.—Fairfield Recorder.

And yet some will tell you that running a country newspaper is an unprofitable and thankless job. A business that will permit the owner to cut down its size and hide himself away to the creek and the melon patch, etc., is certainly a boon and Lee Kirgan should consider himself lucky. Of course, when he gets back on the job he will feel fresh and fit and will then make up for lost time.

Z. Anglin from Groesbeck, who is well known all over the county as a popular cotton gin man, was in the city last week shaking hands with old friends.

## Letters from People

## FARM BUREAU SPEAKING

Groesbeck, Texas, August 3, 1929.

—J. W. Hall, secretary of the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton association will address the cotton farmers of Limestone county on co-operative marketing of cotton at the courthouse here at noon August 6th. Mr. Hall, himself a large producer of cotton as well as a trained business man of wide experience.

An aggressive campaign of education will be carried on through the month of August covering the entire county for the purpose of thoroughly acquainting every farmer and business man with the working plans and results of co-operative cotton selling. It is the earnest hope of the officials and members of the association that every farmer especially, who can do so, will hear Mr. Hall Monday.

At 5 o'clock of the same day Hon. Lynch Davidson will deliver an address, the occasion being the annual meeting of the school trustees of the county. Mr. Davidson is a product of Limestone county and it is anticipated and hoped by many citizens of the county who knew him in his boyhood here, that he will be in the race for governor next year. His address, however will have no bearing on that question but will be devoted to a discussion of the tax problem and other public issues of interest.

—J. E. Farrow, Correspondent.

STANDARD  
FOR COTTON

Whereas an Act was passed during the Fourth Session of the Sixty-Seventh Congress (H. R. 14302) to establish and promote the use of the official cotton standards of the United States in interstate and foreign commerce; to prevent deception therein and to provide for the proper application of such standards; and for other purposes, and

Whereas House Bill No. 97, Acts of the Thirty-fifth Legislature approved by the Governor on May the 26th, 1917 provides in Section Ten, the standards of weights and measures of this State shall be the standards of weights and measures used under the terms and provisions of this Act (Terms and provisions of House Bill No. 97). It shall be the duty of the Commissioner to establish standards of classification of cotton, corn and other farm and ranch products, of whatever kind and character, which may be subject to classification; and originals of such standards so established, shall be maintained, subject to public inspection, in the office of the Commissioner, at all reasonable times and duplicates of such standards, as well as the standards of weights and measures, shall be furnished by the Commissioner to all persons who may apply therefor upon the payment of the necessary cost thereof.

Now, therefore, I, Charles E. Baughman, Commissioner of the Markets and Warehouse Department and Superintendent of Weights and Measures of the State of Texas, by virtue of authority vested in me, as conferred in Section Ten of House Bill Number 97, Acts of the Thirty-fifth Legislature of Texas, approved on the 26th day of May, A. D. 1917, do hereby establish as the official standards of grade or other class for cotton in the State of Texas the standards for grades or other class for cotton as have been promulgated and established by the Secretary of Agriculture for the United States Official Standards, to wit:

Grade (No. 1) Middling Fair, M. F.  
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Grade (No. 3) Good Middling, G. M.  
Grade (No. 4) Strict Middling, S. M.  
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Grade (No. 7) Low Middling, L. M.  
Grade (No. 8) Strict Good Ordinary, S. G. O.  
Grade (No. 9) Good Ordinary, G. O.

Said standards for grade and other class shall be effective from and after date of August the 1st, A. D. 1929.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed by name officially, and have caused the seal of my office to be affixed hereto, this 23rd day of July, A. D. 1929.

(SEAL) Charles E. Baughman, Commissioner of Market and Warehouses and Ex-Officio State Superintendent of Weights and Measures.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Hamilton, druggist at Cox and Forrest, left Tuesday for Abilene for a week's vacation.

Miss Mattie Hickman of Waco, is in the city visiting relatives.

## A FRIEND OF THE HOME PAPER

Mr. Nick Messmer, of Mexia, who has been on the Recorder's subscription list since the year 1, was in the city, Wednesday and paid us a pleasant visit.—Fairfield Recorder.

Nick Messmer is a friend and patron of the home paper. He has a farm in Freestone county and lives in Mexia, and he subscribes for and reads

the papers of both counties. He has been a "paid in advance" subscriber of the News for 10, these many years, even when he temporarily lived in Dallas for several years. Such friends are the life of a paper, and are always appreciated.

Scott Reed, County Attorney of Groesbeck, was in town Friday.

The News is glad to report that Mrs. J. B. Watson of Groesbeck, wife of County Auditor, who has recently undergone an operation is doing fine.

Greenville—Greenville has installed an automatic electric traffic signal system at business street intersection. It will relieve several traffic policemen for other work.

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Dempsey Good Sport, Says McAuliffe.

By HENRY L. FARRELL  
(United Press Sports Editor)  
NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Jack McAuliffe, the genial lightweight and the only champion who ever retired undefeated from the ring, has an idea that Jack Dempsey may yet come into the popularity that up to the time of the present champion has always come as a heritage to heavyweight title holders.

Dempsey, as is well known, is not a hero in the public eye, for reasons that are hard to explain. It might be going too far to say that Dempsey is the most unpopular champion on the long list, because Jack Johnson held even a lower place in the estimation of the public.

Johnson brought disfavor upon himself by his conduct after he had won the championship from Jim Jefferies, but Dempsey has done nothing since he won the title from Jess Willard to bring discredit upon himself, or on the game that has been so good to him.

Dempsey's war record got him in bad with the public and while most everyone has forgotten there was such a thing as a big war, the impression still lingers that Dempsey didn't do something when he had the chance.

Friends of the champion and those who are broad minded enough to go back to the days leading up to the war, know that Dempsey was largely the victim of circumstances and poor advice.

McAuliffe believes that a fight with Louis Eppa, the South American giant, will do much to win for Dempsey the public esteem that he deserves. Until the time that Dempsey is accepted as a proper representative against a foreigner, he will not have the opportunity to get him off back into favor, McAuliffe believes.

Caution was the first foreign fighter to be checked over an American and that can be explained," McAuliffe says. "The war records of the two fighters was the big issue there and the fight was staged at a time when the hardships of the war was rather a fresh memory in the eyes of the public.

"John L. Sullivan gained his great popularity when he fought Mitchell, the sentiment being 'our' champion against a foreigner. When Dempsey meets Eppa, unless the animosity toward Dempsey is too deep rooted to be pulled out the American public will rally the same way behind the champion.

"Incidents of this were shown in the Eppa-Willard fight when the crowd arose spontaneously and yelled for Willard to win when he rallied and seemed to have a chance. The senti-

ment there was clearly for an American against a foreigner, because Willard during his regime as champion, was hardly more popular than Dempsey.

"Though all his trials and troubles, Dempsey has been such a good sport that some time sentiment is bound to change in his favor. He never has grumbled or complained. He has never made answer to accusations that were manifestly unfair and untrue and he has never shown malice toward the crowds that practically razed him on his two last appearances in the ring."

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor, Rev. W. B. Andrews, has returned from his vacation and will preach at 11:00 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. "Come, let us worship the Lord our Maker." Let no one who is able to get to the church fail to worship God in his sanctuary.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Strangers are most cordially invited to worship with the First Methodist church. Linger at the close of the service and get acquainted.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH SERVICES

Main and Bonham  
Bible school at 9:45. If you are not a member of a Sunday school we would be glad to have you visit us.

Worship and preaching at 11:00 Sermon theme, "The Mission of John the Baptist."

Christian Endeavor at 7:15 and preaching services at 8:15 p. m. Subject for the evening message: "In God we (should) trust."

You are invited to attend all these services.

G. T. Reeves, Minister.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the K. of P. hall. Opposite Postoffice. Subject: "Love." Golden text: 1 John 4:7. Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God and knoweth God.

Testimonial meeting is on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Sunday school is at 10 o'clock.

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Valley Cotton Not As Good As First Reported

Rev. W. B. Andrews and wife, and their two daughters, Misses Charlotte and Dorothy, returned Friday from the Lower Rio Grande Valley where they have been the past two weeks. They made the trip by auto and report a most delightful outing. They spent the time at Pharr McAllen and Mission, and one day in Mexico.

Speaking of the cotton crop of the Magic Valley, Mr. Andrews stated that the reports were somewhat exaggerated as to the yield. A larger acreage than usual was planted and six weeks ago the indications were that the yield would be a bale to two bales per acre, but the boll weevil, leaf worm and other destructive agencies had done great damage.

A few fields are making a half bale per acre, but most fields are making much less than that. He says the hot dry weather is causing rapid deterioration of the cotton all along the way from the valley to Mexico. He thinks if the statisticians are depending upon South Texas to supply its usual quota of the so-called 4,000,000 bale crop for Texas they will be mistaken.

Mr. Andrews says he is delighted with the progress the church has made in the Valley the past ten years. Protestantism predominates, with the Methodist and Baptist leading.

Mineral Wells.—Extensions of gathering lines and installation of compressors for adding to the supply of natural gas are being made by the Lone Star Gas company in Eastland and Stephens and Young counties. The investment will be about a million and a quarter dollars.

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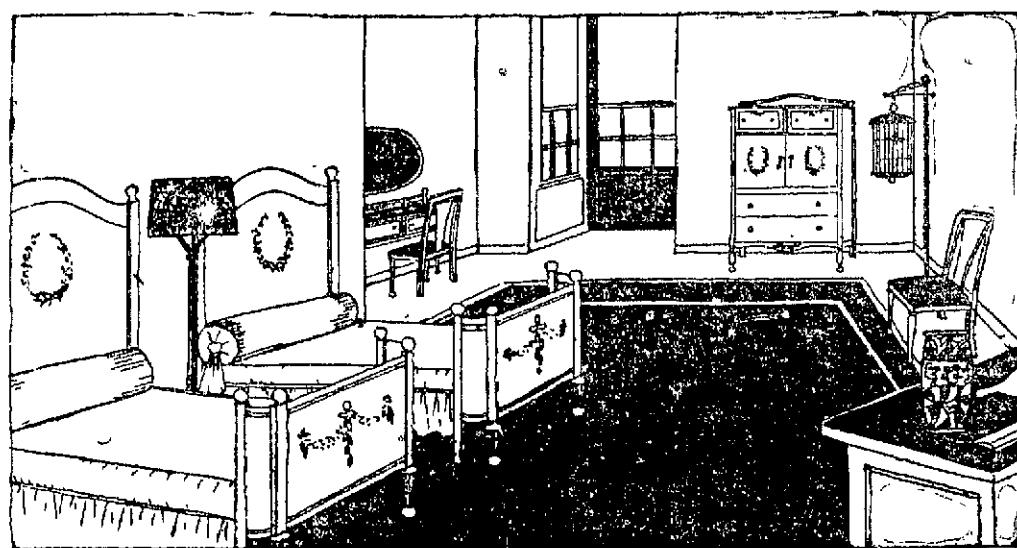
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# Homecoming Of Oil Men Planned In Tulsa October 8th to 14th, 1923.

Tulsa, Okla., Aug. 4.—"The Homecoming of the Oil Men," which will be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma, October 8 to 14, as a part of the International Petroleum Exposition and Congress, promises to be the greatest reunion of any group of people ever staged, according to enthusiastic followers of the oil industry. They will flock to Tulsa from every state in the union—even the non-oil producing states and the homes of retired oil men who will be roused into activity by promises of seeing the great show—open every nation in the world where oil is produced, of every age, from the oldest pioneers to the youngest mountaineers, and from every walk of life. But no matter how far they have come, nor how different their station may be, they hold a feeling for each other which cannot be described better than as brotherhood.

Those who have ever followed the oil game have come under this spell, the spell which is oil men together everywhere. Common to all have held the same dreams of success and fortune, and dreamed of all the things of confidence and mutual friends. They will come to the reunion, many from foreign lands, some of them have formed new acquaintances that will mean much to them in the oil world, and with interesting and strengthening their own lives among the oil men of the world and one of the great oil centers, which is the hope of the oil men of the world.

## The Redcliffe Chautauque

The Redcliffe Chautauque, which is being held in Tulsa, Oklahoma, from August 4 to 14, is a series of lectures and plays. The first night, "The Redcliffe Chautauque," was held on August 4. The lectures are given by prominent speakers from all over the world. The plays are also of high quality. The chautauque is a great success and is attracting a large audience.

dollars which are a season ticket, costs, and the dollar which is the price of a season ticket for a child.

## SHOULD HAVE SPENT THEM BEFORE WAR

By GUS OEHM.  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)  
BERLIN—Germany has developed a new indoor sport—figuring out what wonderful things one could buy before the war with the same amount of marks one lays out for trivialities today.

For instance when the German today pays out 57,000 marks to have his suit pressed he has a lot of fun figuring out that since he could buy a complete suit before the war for 70 marks, the 57,000 marks which he spends for cleaning would have brought him 814 new suits in the olden days.

The cost of a bad pencil today equals the price of a good piano, a complete living room, bed room with two beds and well equipped kitchen. The price of a little box of matches today equals the pre-war price of ten pairs of good shoes. A cigarette equals the price of a good piano, and the single individual little match with which a German lights his cigar costs as much today in paper marks as a pre-war pound of meat and a pound of butter.

Everytime a German eats a cherry he does so with the realization that "there goes a 50-mark note."

And as for strawberries, he can't even think of the 150 marks each one sets him back.

Every puff of a cigarette, he figures, costs him 100 marks.

means five marks gone up in smoke. And he gets gray-haired when he thinks that every time he rides his elevator to the top floor he does so at 3,000 marks a trip. Most of them walk.

## Cockroach in Jelly Causes Shake Up In El Paso Hospital.

EL PASO, Texas, August 4.—Because F. L. de von Dey, handy man around the county hospital here agreed with one of the inmates that there was a cockroach in the jelly, he was "bawled out" by the nurses, he says, and as a consequence he's going to quit.

The 70 year old caretaker says he has been "mistrusted."

"I was told not to criticize the patients' food and not to talk to tubercular patients," says von Dey.

He told of once having averted an explosion at the hospital when he shut off the steam in the boiler of the hospital which a new man had permitted to go over the safety limit. He wasn't even thanked for this act, von Dey declared.

Mrs. F. B. Cameron, chief of the

nurses tells her side of the case, however. She charges von Dey with being pro-German and lazy.

"He curses around the women," she asserted. "I've pleaded for him to be retained on account of pity. Now he talks like that."

## Negroes Get The Wooden S-Houses

The wooden school house in front of the Sumpter street grammar school building is being moved to the negro section in the eastern part of town, known as "30-30." The large L-shaped building had to be cut in two in order to move it, and with that one section is ninety feet long, while the other is fifty-seven feet long.

This will remove the obstruction in front of the brick building and will at the same time give the negroes in the eastern part of the city a good school building, something they have not had.

One of the small cottages on the McKinney street campus will also be removed and installed at the negro school in the western part of the city.

Duncan and Jones moving company has the job, which means that it will be well done, because they can move anything except a mountain.

## SHOT INNOCENT BY-STANDER

FORT WORTH, Texas, August 4.—When a wild steer which broke loose at the stockyards here, determined to make it to West Texas in short order, pedestrians, fled over fences and shinned up telephone poles. Police who volunteered as rescuers were unable to coax the animal back in the pen so Patrolman Rainwater shot the steer. He also shot M. V. Fondrew, one of the interested spectators, in the ankle.

## BET THEY WERE NOT NEGROES

DALLAS, Texas, August 4.—Raiding officers interrupted a crap game and booze party in the Masonic cemetery here. Hootch was being dispensed from behind tombstones and on graves, it was said.

## CONVALESCENTS IN COTTAGE

BRECKENRIDGE, Texas, August 4.—A number of convalescent patients at the Emergency hospital here have been quartered in a residence building in a lot adjacent to the hospital. This was done to make room for a large number of other patients seeking admittance during the past few days.

## MAKE THEM SHOW THE FISH

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, August 4.—Winner of the consolation prize to be awarded by the Tarpon club here will receive a gold mounted miniature of Abraham Lincoln. The trophy will be awarded the member catching the most catfish during the season. The handsome miniature is a Lincoln penny mounted on a gold frame.

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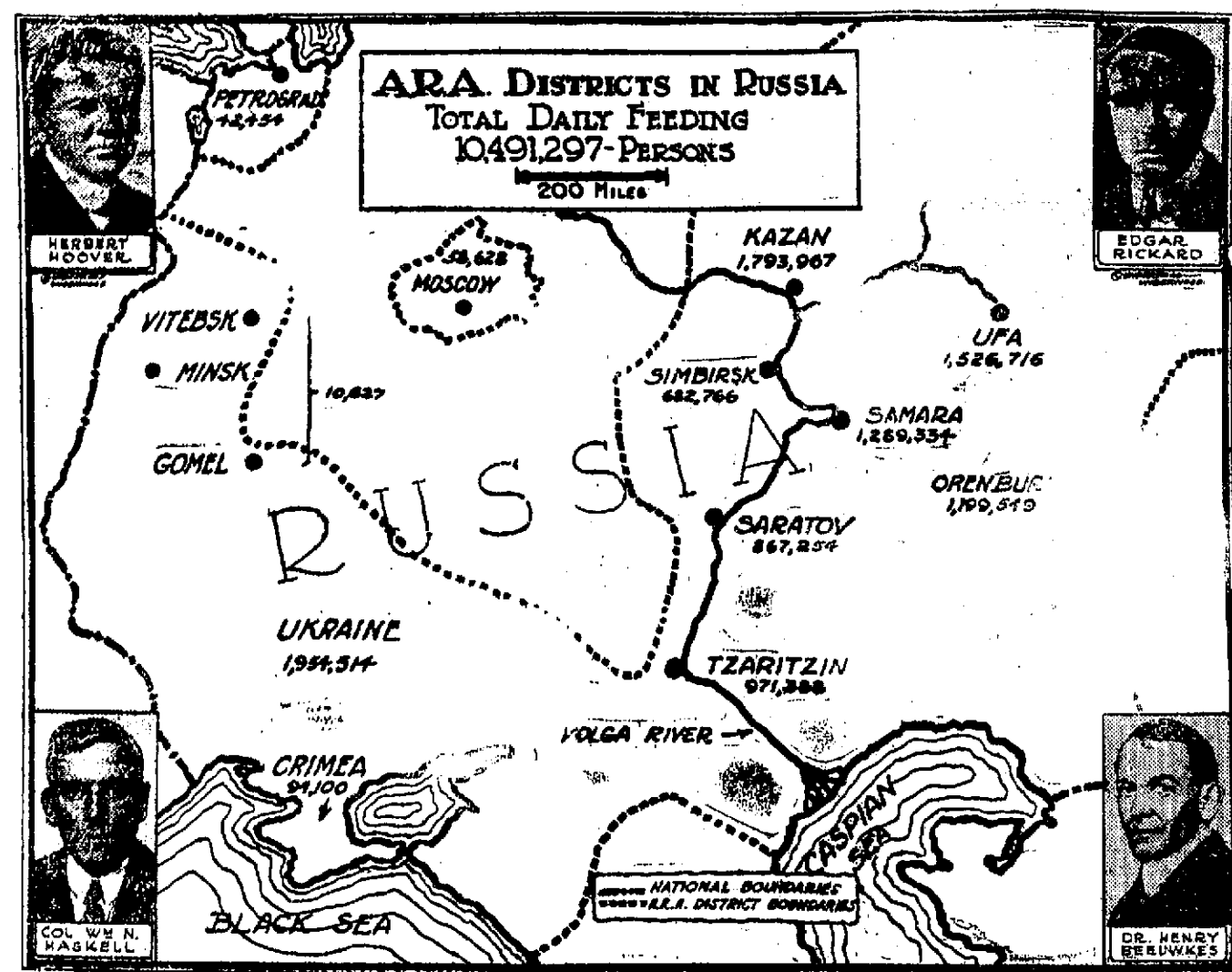
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# Two Hundred Americans Return Victorious From War On Russian Famine and Pestilence



By W. HOWARD RAMSEY

The American Relief Administration is withdrawing from Russia. The famine is over. Colonel Haskell and the little group of Americans who were working with him are returning to America. They come by ones and twos, unheralded and unclaimed, as quietly as they went, for if America realized their accomplishments, flags would be flying, bands playing forth a welcome, and delegations of the most prominent citizens would be waiting at the pier to clear their homecoming.

And being plain, unassuming Americans, unaccustomed to ceremony and heroics, the relief workers could be tremendously embarrassed by the ovation and inquiry quite as much as "What's the big idea? What's all the fuss about?" and some of them would probably add, "How are the chances of getting a job?" Just the same embarrassing question that the boys in khaki were asking in 1919.

For almost two years now a scant two hundred Americans, on a battle line far longer than the western front, have been fighting a far more deadly foe than any the allied armies have met. From the battle to the Caucasus, from the Crimea to the Caucasus, the Americans have been fighting a far more deadly foe than any the allied armies have met. From the battle to the Caucasus, from the Crimea to the Caucasus, the Americans have been fighting a far more deadly foe than any the allied armies have met.

America's Gift to Russia Included, in Part:

The feeding of children to the number of	4,173,389
And adults to the number of	6,317,968
Or a total, at the peak of operations, of	10,491,297 Persons
Food enough for	1,750,000,000 Meals
The operation of	21,436 Kitchens
The distribution of clothing to	338,125 Individuals
The distribution of medical supplies valued at	\$7,685,000
To hospitals and institutions numbering	16,400
With a daily capacity of	1,039,000 Persons
The performance of	6,385,598 Inoculations
And	1,304,401 Vaccinations
Shipment of food and seed grain amounting to	312,121 Tons
And medical supplies to the amount of	15,000,000 Pounds
Shipped in	237 Ships

be so vivid as to detail but it will be more comprehensive.

Instead of telling of one city or one district with its hundreds of thousands fed, they will talk of the extent of the operation in terms of millions. They will illustrate the freight movement from the Northern and Southern ports to the heart of the famine area by graphic charts they have prepared. They will tell how many million cans of milk were ordered, how many consumed and the use that was made of the empty cans and cases, of how many thousands of children were opened and how the ration was allocated months in advance, so that the children who came to the kitchen could be certain a meal would be waiting them.

And down on lower Broadway, toward the end of Manhattan Island, in one of the skyscrapers there are men who could tell still another story. They would speak of vast grain purchases, of the chartering of hundreds of ships, of the mobilization of funds, of crop estimates and international negotiations, of a detailed accounting system, of expert auditing. They would tell of a business administration of untraded funds under the direction of Edgar Rickard, which enabled the chairman of the American Relief Administration, Herbert Hoover, to report to the President of the United States: "there has not been a reduction of one penny for administrative purposes either from the funds provided by Congress or from public charity in the United States."

But by whichever group the story is told, it is one of which America may well be proud. In July, 1921, Maxim Gorky and Patriarch Tikhon appealed to the whole world to save the starving population of the Volga Valley. The very day that appeal was published Herbert Hoover telegraphed to Gorky the conditions under which the A. R. A. could extend its relief. Within a month Colonel William H. Haskell was appointed director of the A. R. A. in Russia and food ships were on their way. America was the first country to respond. It offered to feed a million. It was feeding more than ten times that number day in and day out before the first twelfth month had passed.

It transported to Russia and distributed there close to a million tons of grain and other foodstuffs. A fleet of 237 ships piled its way across the Atlantic, through the Mediterranean, Baltic and Black seas, and under the direction of only 200 Americans an army of 125,000 Russians labored, unloading, warehousing, hauling, weighing, cooking and serving that food. It was food enough for one billion seven hundred and fifty million meals. Surely never before has one nation set so great a feast for a famished neighbor.

Is it any wonder that the peasants of one war-devastated and famine-stricken village, having no gold and no bronze available, painstakingly dug from the log walls of their cottages leaden bullets and cast a medal for the American who brought them the food, inscribing it, "I was an

often merely planks supported on wooden horses. Blankets were scarce, sheets were missing. Operations were performed with bare hands, in unheated operating rooms, without anesthetics and only too often without any hope of asepsis. Wounds were dressed with newspaper, or wrapped in rags from the patient's own all too scanty clothing. Water supplies were polluted, plumbing was beyond use and almost beyond repair. Drug rooms were empty of the simplest and most essential remedies. The food was unspeakably poor, utterly unfit for sick persons and woefully inadequate in amount. Men and women crawled to the hospitals to die rather than to be made whole, and not a few succumbed in front of institutions that had no room for another patient.

America has wrought a transformation here. It is useless to pile up the figures, but a few may be significant. The A. R. A. distributed to these institutions a million and a half pounds of soap. Neo-salvarsan, which proved a perfect specific for relapsing fever, was supplied to the extent of 700,000 ampoules. The quinine alone, some thirty tons of it, was valued at more than half a million dollars, but no one can estimate what it was really worth to a country whose most prevalent disease is malaria. And so the list runs, through anesthetics, aspirin, bichloride, bismuth, chlorinators, digitalis, ether, forceps, clear down to zinc ointment, including all of the best known items of the pharmacopoeia and most of those to be found in a catalogue of surgical instruments and hospital supplies. More than 2,000 different commodities in all, and in such quantities that the 125,000 packages sent on sixty-nine different ships, weighed fifteen million pounds. In distributing this medical aid the American Relief Administration acted as the agent of the United States Government and the American Red Cross. The surplus Army medical supplies were turned over to the A. R. A. by act of Congress and the Red Cross supplemented the Army stocks valued at \$4,000,000 by its own contribution of supplies to the amount of \$3,685,000, while the entire cost of transportation and handling was covered by an individual donation of \$267,400 from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial.

Altogether America's great adventure in humanity has cost her about \$62,000,000. Everyone in America has shared in the benefaction. The United States Government appropriated, in addition to the medical supplies, some \$20,000,000 for corn and wheat through the American Joint Distribution Committee, gave \$5,000,000; Catholics, Quakers, Methodists, Baptists, Lutherans, Adventists, and other Christian denominations, through their respective organizations, swelled the total. But the distribution was made under the unified supervision of the American Relief Administration. It was made in a characteristically American fashion, without regard to race, sect, party or creed. It was America's gift to the Russian people.

An expensive present? Well, it may have been. It cost more than the mere millions. Two of the Americans who went to Russia are not coming home. One died from typhus and the other dropped from sight. Two lives and \$62,000,000 dollars—almost as much as it costs the United States to maintain its navy for two months in time of peace—say ten million saved from death by starvation and half that number from death by disease—the friendship and gratitude of a great people won and held—perhaps a nation saved.

It almost seems as if the adventure had been worth while.

## Repaper Dining Room and Stop Divorce.



"Over half the divorces in the United States are caused by inharmonious color combinations in the dining room," declared Miss Agnes McKenna, nationally known art expert, of Chicago, speaking at a furniture convention in San Francisco. Miss McKenna has made a life study of colors and their effects on personalities. She says it is her ambition to untwist the rainbow and bring down color in harmonious combinations, so that every home will have a perfect setting.

## SECRETARY BAKER'S BROTHER HELD IN RUM CASE.



When the fashionable Tamaqua Yacht Club, of Sheephead Bay, New York, got ready for its annual shirtwaist dance, Julian D. Baker, brother of former Secretary of War Newton D. Baker, thought it would be a fine and fancy idea to take his cruiser yacht Modesty out to the ham fleet and get a few cases of "Hikar" for his fellow club members. The Coast Guard cutter Manhattan thought otherwise and seized the craft, confiscated six cases of wet goods and arrested Baker. Since the arrest was made outside the 12-mile limit, Baker was released when he told his story, but the "Hikar" was seized, and he had to give a bond of \$800 to get his boat back. The shirtwaist dance was a remarkably dry affair.

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### Local News

Oray Wiley of Jewett, is in the city Thursday.

H. T. Piney of Corsicana was in the city Thursday.

W. K. Boyd was in Groesbeck Friday on business.

A. T. Brady of Fort Worth is in the city on business.

Clarence M. Redfern of Waco, was in the city Friday.

Misses Marie and Betty Patton, were in Dallas Thursday.

Luke Ballard of Waco, was in the city Thursday.

Clyde Rhodes of Cookridge, was a business visitor in the city Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Brannon are leaving the first of the week for Iowa.

Conrad Hancock and Miss Emma Vial were married Wednesday at Mexia.

Miss Pearl Spruiell, who has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Fred Karner, Sr.

Miss Alice Simmons of Temple, is visiting in the home of her uncle, B. B. Simmons.

Ora May Hampton of Cosgrove is visiting her sister Eva Hampton for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Germany left Saturday for Colorado for a months vacation.

Herbert Jacobs has returned from Corsicana, where he has been for several days.

Miss Elizabeth McDonald of Ennis is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Fred Karner, Sr.

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## OLD LISLE BANK GIVES WAY TO COTTON SAVINGS ACCOUNT



CHICAGO.—Cotton stockings, cool, comfortable and economical, are the foundation of a club formed by a group of young girls bent on saving the money usually spent on silk stockings, to be spent on holiday pleasures during their vacations.

The Cotton Stocking Club was organized by Miss Nancy Nelson, 1019 N. Massanut, avenue; Miss Helen Weyland, 1818 N. Kedvale avenue; Miss Mabel Williams, 2542 W. Harrison street, and Miss Signe Olson, 1327 N. Ridgeway avenue.

The difference in cost between cotton and silk stockings for a summer's supply will rent a canoe for the term of a vacation; it will hire a saddle horse a good many times; it will do something about golf clubs and tennis rackets; and buy

an orange sweater. Since the cotton stockings look better with summer sports clothes than ordinary silk stockings, there is no sacrifice involved. The girls of the club wear the shaped in the weaving hose that do not sag at the ankles and which, having no seam at the back never rip suddenly at embarrassing moments far from needle and thread.

Requirements for membership are vows made in the dark of the moon that the member will not wear anything but cotton stockings from the day she joins the club until her vacation is over. Those who have been living up to this vow for several weeks are certain that never will they discard the cotton hose.

"You know," said Miss Nelson, the leader of the group, "there are other things to save money for besides vacations and we can make our organization permanent. Cotton stockings are very cool and light, and anyone can see that they are very good looking. All Chicago girls who work are eligible for membership and members are coming in as fast as they can be registered. I am sure other cities and towns will follow when the girls discover how much money we save, how comfortable we are, and how trim and pretty our ankles look."

## RICH SUITOR SLAIN FOR ANNOYING HER.



Miss Jane Remington

Miss Jane Remington, beautiful amateur actress, of Morris, Ill., complained to the police there that Blaine Beach, a wealthy Joliet merchant, with whom she had been friendly, but from whom she had become estranged, was annoying her with his attentions. When he appeared near her home at night recently a deputy sheriff was sent to investigate. The officer thought Beach reached for a revolver and shot him to death.

Galveston.—Additions to the plant of the Galveston Gas company now being made will add considerable to the facilities of the company for meeting increased demands for gas.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Phillips and Red Kelly returned from Colorado, Friday, where they spent a two week vacation.

W. P. McAnaney of Denison, one of the associates of the McFall well drove over in his car Thursday for several days.

Mrs. W. B. Landrom returned Thursday from Little Rock, Ark., where she has been visiting her parents.

WANTED TO RENT—Cool apartment three or four rooms modern conveniences and furnishings, desirable neighborhood, reasonable price. References exchanged. Couple. Will be permanent. Call 3874-J. 5L2

## Texas Highways In Fair Shape

DALLAS, Aug. 4.—Highways in Texas are generally fair to good, according to reports for the week from all parts of the state.

From Dallas to Texarkana, the Bankhead highway is reported in good condition except for a short stretch of freshly gravelled road. The Dixie overland highway to Shreveport is "fair to very good." Highway No. 6 to Waco is good with a short detour which is also in good condition.

From Waco to Houston, Highway No. 2 is fair to good with some rough stretches and sandy places, but all easily passable.

With the exception of some rough places around San Marcos, the highway from Waco to San Antonio is in "fair to good" condition.

The Colorado Gulf highway from Dallas to Denver is reported fair with rough stretches around Henrietta.

Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona roads are reported fair.

Miss Clara Woodward of Fort Worth, is the guest of Miss Ouida Wildemna for several days.

## Local News

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mayes returned from Dallas Monday.

W. A. Jackson and Field Jackson motored over from Teague Friday.

Sheriff Popjoy was in Mexia and Coolidge on business this past week.

Welch Sewell and Max Walters were business visitors in Corsicana Saturday.

Miss B. Daniels left Friday for Austin for the week-end to visit relatives and friends.

Miss Irene Henry returned from Oklahoma, where she has been for several days.

Mrs. John Montgomery of Houston is visiting in the home of W. J. Robinson and family.

Frank Bolton returned Friday from Little Rock, Ark., where he attended the funeral of his father.

Mrs. A. R. Etchison returned Thursday from Hemphill, where she has been on a visit with her parents.

## JACKSON STAGE LINE

Car leaves Bennets Drug store for Corsicana at 8 a. m.

Leaves Commercial Hotel, Corsicana, 6 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

LOCAL TRIPS

Phone 436 and 222, Mexia.

## Vard Indicted Again in Peters Killing



Walter S. Ward

Walter S. Ward, son of a multi-millionaire New York baker, is shown on his way to the courthouse in White Plains, N. Y., to surrender to a second indictment charging him with murder in the first degree for killing Clarence Peters, a shiftless former Palmyra sailor. Ward was indicted last week, but the indictment was returned without trial. The charge was that Ward had conspired with a woman, Anna Peters, to kill her husband, Clarence Peters, who was a sailor and a drunkard. Ward was indicted for the same crime.

## LIVED SISTERS SO WELL, HE MARRIED TWO.



E. O. Davis and Mrs. Davis No. 1, Belton; Mrs. Davis No. 2

E. O. Davis, of Los Angeles, is under arrest there on a charge of bigamy, it being alleged it like the two Stecklin sisters, Anna and Theresa so well, he married both.

## NOTICE!

On account of the scarcity of water, from and after Sunday, August 5, 1923, the

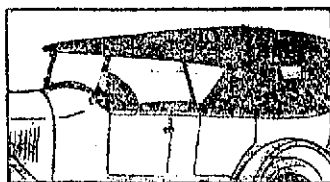
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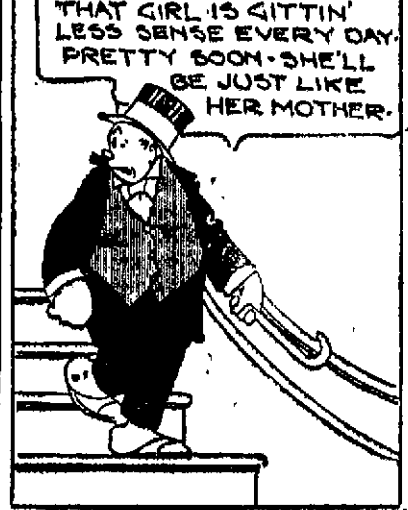


# The Day's Opportunities As Told In The Classified Ads

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By George McManus



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### HELP WANTED—A

**YOUNG LADY**—Stenographer and bookkeeper desires position. Have completed full course in business college and have had one year's practical experience. Box 109—News. 2A2

### LOST AND FOUND—D

**LOST**—Gold and platinum cuff link. Return to Higdon and McElroy, and receive reward. 3D2

**LOST**—One mule, small bay, one eye, branded on left hip. Please notify W. D. Freeman. Gas office. Phone 23. Reward. 6D2

### WANTED TO BUY—E

**WANTED**—Second hand refrigerator must be reasonable. Call 269-J 2E2

### FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—F

**WE SELL** and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 566. May 10T

### FOR SALE—J

**I SELL** and haul dirt, fine sandy loam, the dirt for flowers and lawns. See V. R. Means or phone 181W. 2D7

**FOR SALE**—Good milk cow, now fresh. Will sell at a bargain. Apply 722 F. H. phone 8L 3D3

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Three room bungalow with screened porch. All work and beaver boarded. With or without furniture. Apply J. R. Black, Service Car Stand, or Mexia Company. 31J3

### HOUSES FOR RENT—K

**FOR SALE**—One De Laval Separator No. 12, good as new, price reasonable. One six barrel galvanized water tank in good condition, cheap. Apply Waco Hotel on Tehuacana pk. 30K3

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Three room bungalow. Will sell reasonable or trade for good Ford car. Box 101. 212

**FOR RENT**—No furniture, fire, phone and bath. Phone 271-F, or call at 300 East Sampter street. 5K4

### ROOMS FURNISHED—L

**FOR RENT**—One room, two blocks North of post office. Suitable for one or two men. 318 N. Shorman. Phone 105-J. Mrs. A. A. Steele. 5L2

**WANTED AT**—Wanted for exchange. Fall suit, shoes and hat. Also dress maker. 1 box, clean dry cleaned and pressed. For info, call made over. 215 N. McKenney. Phone 557-J 2D7

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scientifically and logically. His speech is polished, concise and simple. His dignity and culture with his radiant personality combine to make him a prince among American lecturers. Whoever misses these two lectures by Mr. Hardy will miss two of the most masterly, scholarly and inspirational discussions of vital topics that have ever been given in this community.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Limestone County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon G. F. Lindsey by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 77th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 77th Judicial District, to appear at a regular term of the Justice's Court of Precinct No. 4, Limestone County, Texas, to be held at the town of Mexia, in said Limestone County, on the 11th day of September, 1923, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 10th day of July, 1923, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 726, wherein W. D. Pittman, a resident of Limestone County, Texas, is plaintiff and G. F. Lindsey, a non-resident of the State of Texas, is defendant, plaintiff's demand being for the sum of \$137.55, due upon claim for breach of warranty. Plaintiff avers that for a valuable consideration defendant, on the 30th day of May, A. D. 1922, conveyed to him, by deed of said date, a certain lot or parcel of land, situated in the town of Mexia, Limestone county, Texas, being Lot No. 7, in Block No. 23, of said town, and by said deed of conveyance defendant bound himself, his heirs, executors and administrators to warrant and forever defend, all and singular, the said premises unto this plaintiff, his heirs, and assigns, against every person whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof. That after purchasing said land and after defendant had so bound himself, plaintiff discovered for the first time that said land was incumbered with a lien for taxes due the State of Texas, and the county of Limestone in the sum of \$75.05, including taxes, penalties and interest, and with a lien for taxes due the city of Mexia, a municipal corporation, in the sum of \$37.50, and with a lien for taxes due the independent school district of Mexia in the sum of \$25.00, aggregating the sum of \$137.55, which sums plaintiff was compelled to pay, to prevent the enforcement of said liens and the loss of his said land, which plaintiff paid on the 4th day of June, A. D. 1923, to his damage in the sum of \$137.55; that by reason of the premises defendant became liable and promised to pay plaintiff the said aggregate sum of money, which defendant has failed and refused and still fails and refuses to do. Plaintiff prays judgment for his damages, with interest thereon from the 4th day of June, A. D. 1923, at the rate of 6% per annum, for costs of suit, general and special relief. Plaintiff further alleges that though defendant is a non-resident of the State of Texas, he has effects belonging to him in this state.

Herein said Not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid term this writ, with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my signature as Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 4, Limestone County, Texas, this 25th day of July, 1923.

O. Kennedy, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 4, Limestone County, Texas. (27-8-10-17)

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS FOR STATE ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION.

Sealed proposals addressed to Hon. Fountain Kirby, County Judge, for the improvement of certain highways in Limestone county will be received at the office of County Judge at Groesbeck, Texas, until 10 o'clock, A. M. August 6th, 1923, and then publicly opened and read.

Description of work to be done: Construction of 4 miles of Exall Highway from Mexia and extending south. Work consists of constructing an 18 foot macadam base and one and one half inches of hot mix Uvalde Rock Asphalt.

Bids will be received separately for macadam base and Rock Asphalt surfacing or for entire job.

Detailed plans and specifications of the work may be seen for examination, and information may be obtained at the office of J. G. McIntosh, Humphreys building, at Mexia, Texas, and at the office of the State Highway Department, State Capitol Building, Austin, Texas.

tion, Texas.  
A certified or cashiers check for 5 per cent of bid made payable without recourse to the order of County Judge of Limestone County, must accompany each proposal, as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract and make bond in accordance with requirements of the specifications. The right is reserved by the party of the first part to reject any and all proposals or to waive all technicalities.

Proposals shall be submitted in sealed envelopes and marked, "Bids for the Construction of the Exall Highway in Limestone County."

All bids received will be retained by the Department and will not be returned to the bidders. 22-29-5

### NOTICE OF CHARTER ELECTION

An Ordinance ordering an election in the City of Mexia, Texas, to be held on the 14th day of August, 1923, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Mexia, Texas, for the adoption or rejection of the proposed charter, prepared and framed by the Charter Commission heretofore elected, electing officers under such charter and designating the places at which said election is to be held, and appointing presiding officers thereof and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, on the 14th day of November, 1922, the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, duly enacted an ordinance, submitting to the qualified voters of said city, at an election ordered and held for the purpose, on the 10th day of December, 1922, the question: "Shall a Commission Be Chosen to Frame a New Charter?" and also providing for an election of fifteen members of a charter commission in case a majority of the votes cast at such election should be in favor of the choosing of such a commission, and which ordinance was duly approved and published and notices of such election were duly given as required by law; and

WHEREAS, said question was duly submitted and voted upon at said election in said city on said date, and the majority of the qualified voters voting at such election voted in favor of the choosing of a commission to frame a new charter, and also a majority of the qualified voters, voting at said election, voted in favor of fifteen qualified citizens of said City to compose said Charter Commission; and

WHEREAS, said election was duly and legally held on the said 10th day of December, 1922, and result of said election was duly certified and returned to the City Commission by the proper election officers; and

WHEREAS, on the 2nd day of January, 1923, this commission considered the several returns and canvassed the same, and found that there were cast, at said election, one hundred twenty (120) votes, of which number, eighty four (84) votes were cast for the choosing of a charter commission, and thirty-six (36) votes were cast against the choosing of a charter commission, and this commission thereupon, by resolution, duly entered, declared that the proposition so submitted was sustained and adopted by a majority vote of the qualified voters of said city, voting at said election; and

WHEREAS, the city commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, has examined into and investigated the regularity of the proceedings for said election and finds that the same was duly and legally held, that the notice required by law to be given has been duly and legally given, and that said election was conducted in strict conformity with all the requirements of law; and

WHEREAS, each and all of said fifteen citizens, so elected, duly qualified as members of said charter commission, and met and organized as members of said charter commission, and met and organized the same, and duly proceeded to frame a new charter for the City of Mexia, Texas, and heretofore, on the 3rd day of July, 1923, as such commission, signed such proposed new charter and duly provided for the submission of the same to a vote of the qualified voters of said city, at an election to be held upon the question of the adoption or rejection of said charter upon the 14th day of August, 1923; and

WHEREAS, the said charter commission also provided for an election to be held in said City on said date, for the purpose of electing two persons, each of whom shall have been a resident of said City for, at least, twelve months prior to the date of said election, shall have then attained the age of twenty one years, and each of whom shall have the qualifications of electors qualified to vote for members of the Legislature of the State of Texas, to be Commissioners of said City, under such new charter, and to compose the City Commission thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the said charter commission provided that the present city commission shall call elections for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, the said charter commission will ratify and confirm and make the enactment of this ordinance its act and deed, and will make such ordinance its order for such election, all of which will be evidenced by the signatures of the members of said charter commission appended hereto under the words: "Approved by Charter Commission;" therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MEXIA, TEXAS:

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## Frankie Bailey Hides Fun Out in Los Angeles



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This picture of Frankie Bailey was taken when the famous chorus girl, with "The Million Dollar Legs," was the highlight of the show in the United States. Bailey is one of the wonderfully shapely women. New York called her "the girl who was with Fisher and Fields," in "Ye Olde Days." Now, her health gone and her beauty marred by age, Frankie Bailey is known to a large portion of the city of two decades ago, is working as a clerk in a department store in Los Angeles. She is now 35 years old and has been in the city for several years.

## Gushers Return For Games At Local Park After Very Successful Trip Abroad

The Gushers will return tonight from their Austin contests. This afternoon at Gusher park they will be seen in action. They will meet the formidable team from Corsicana for three games. The Gumbo Busters, always dangerous in a game against Mexia, are probably stronger now than ever before. They have been beaten in practically every baseball series of the year in which they have been opposed by the Mexia squad. But it will require real baseball to win from them this time. As the season wears warm, with pinnant day not so distant, all clubs are driving hard towards the goal. Mexia yet has a fine fighting chance to win the flag. With proper backing and encouragement during the remainder of the season, they will win. The road trip resulted favorably, even though the club faced the strong Austin aggregation in Austin while away. Their nine days absence from the local park and the record while away have whetted the appetites of Mexia fans for the games now to be played here. The outcome of these next games will have a very important meaning on the final outcome.

### PRE-NUPTIAL SHOWER

Honoring Miss Bettie Kennedy, whose approaching marriage to Cecil Gordon White takes place August 16, Mesdames John Swett and George Peyton entertained over 100 guests Wednesday evening with a miscellaneous shower, at the home of Mrs. Swett on South Canton street. Promptly at six o'clock the guests began to arrive to be met in the reception hall by Mrs. Swett, Miss Kennedy and Mrs. Peyton.

Mrs. Sam Cox and Mrs. Zeno King ushered the ladies into the cozy breakfast room which carried out the decorative scheme in yellow and white. Refreshing punch was there served by Miss Sophonia Ward, and Mrs. Ernest Smith assisted by Miss Mary Sue Mosley, of Weatherford. Leaving this in-

coming work, paper and pencils were distributed by Mrs. Hutchinson and Miss Anne Stevens, who directed the guests to the sun-parlor and living room which also were made more attractive with baskets of yellow zinnias, sun-flowers, and ferns. The guests being asked to try to answer some puzzle-pictures found pinned on the walls, each representing useful and widely advertised household products and articles, which every bride will need. In this contest Miss Elsie Desenberg having the greatest number of correct answers won the prize which she in turn presented to the fair honoree.

The climax to the evenings entertainment came when everyone entered the dining room to behold the attractiveness of it. A real live, but shy cupid, sitting in a large basket that was beautifully latticed in yellow and white coupe paper. Carrying a tiny yellow and white bedecked parasol, keeping guard over the many beautiful and useful articles, which loving friends wished to shower on the bride. The little cupid was Antoinette Adam, and after the following rhyme recited in her own sweet way by Mrs. R. E. Hickman, the little maid helped the grown maid unto her parcels with

## RIDDLE BUYS BARRY INTEREST IN LOCAL UNDERTAKING COMPANY

much delight.

Said Mrs. Hickman.

In the garden of Eden, in days that were old

A boy went acourting, he was hand-

some and bold,

The lad used the arts and the wiles

of his day,

And as usual, in the end, he had his

own way.

The times have not changed, and not

lost is the art.

And the lads of this day are doing

their part

Hence Ceel went a seekin' to find

his soul-mate

And soon after landing, he sure met

his fate,

Fair Bettie, the coy, and the shy he

did meet,

He sent many flowers, and he piled

on the sweets.

So to spread the glad news, we're

met here today,

And are bringing out gifts in the

old fashioned way.

Individual cakes embossed in yellow,

and white and yellow brick cream were

served at a late hour.

Others assisting the hostesses, than

those already mentioned were Mrs.

Jack Womack, Mrs. Rush Allison and

Mrs. Walter Boyd.

Mrs. Fay Browder of Groesbeck,

daughter of Mr. Chas. Bond, who has

been sick for several months is in a

much better condition.

J. I. Riddle has purchased from Dyas B. Barry his interest in the Riddle-Barry Undertaking company, corner Commerce and Paris streets and will consolidate that business with that of J. I. Riddle and company, and will personally look after the ambulance and undertaking work.

Mr. J. P. Potts and Mr. O'Reilly, who have apartments up stairs over the new building at 319 E. Commerce street will continue to occupy those apartments and handle the night services as before. Mr. Barry has not decided definitely on his future plans but will likely move to either Fort Worth, or Shreveport, La.

Mr. Jackson, our enterprising service car man, has installed a stage line from Mexia to Corsicana. This car will enable business visitors to Corsicana, to leave Mexia three hours later than the latest train and get into Corsicana in time to transact any business and return the same day.

Genial Joe House, the hustling editor, printer, manager, bookkeeper, collector, in fact the whole cheese (but not big cheese) of the Thornton Hustler, one of the brightest weekly papers that comes to this sanctum, was in the city Saturday afternoon and paid our office an appreciated fraternal call.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Scott and son are visiting with his mother Mrs. S. J. Scott.

### "ONLY 38" SCORES BIG HIT

Scoring a decided hit, "Only 38" William de Mille's new Paramount picture production, featuring May McAvoy, Lois Wilson, Elliott Dexter and George Fawcett, at the National theatre Monday. There is a laugh, sigh or tear in every scene of this splendid comedy-romance.

The story is that of a widowed mother, thirty-eight years old, who longs for romance. Her twin son and daughter are shocked when she accepts the attentions of Prof. Charles Giddings (Elliott Dexter) and they do not hesitate to tell their mother so. To Mrs. Stanley it is a case of making a choice between her love of her children and the professor, who opens up an entirely new life to her. She chooses the former, but in the end the mother's eyes are opened by her daughter's love affair and thus the way is paved to happiness for both.

This production is an honest-to-goodness comedy and it is packed with heart appeal. Admirably supporting



May McAvoy in the Paramount Picture, "Only 38," A William de Mille Production

the principal players is an unusually well balanced cast, including Robert Agnew, Jane Keckley, Lillian Leighton, Taylor Graves and Ann Cornwall.

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## Town Topics

Mexia has her own problems. Bond issues may come and bond issues may go, but the task of city building is an endless chain that should be made stronger and stronger in every link with the passing of time. During the past few days of sorrow that has shaken the world, our own perplexities dwindle into temporary insignificance. A new master of the ship of state has been named, the old captain having gone. In the passing of the President, it is a source of joy for all true patriots to know that the flag that flies at its mastmast flies on, undimmed in its glory and untarnished in its brilliancy which we hope will be eternal.

Still it is but human and very natural for a people never to lose sight of those practical needs of life, especially those now confronted here, even though they be considered with an aching heart. We have our water problem particularly in mind.

Water is an essential of life. It is necessary to man, animal and plant. An abundance of pure, fresh water at all times and for all purposes is the greatest asset that any city can have, outside of well supported and well attended churches and schools and plenty of water is necessary for the latter.

The waterworks in Mexia are municipally owned. They were bought a year or so ago for self protection. Mexia was then suffering a water problem. Necessary improvements and extensions were required to relieve the need. Private owners claimed they could not make the required investments to meet the painful situation. As a result of this argument, the citizens went to the polls and voted bond issues to buy the properties, for they were determined to have plenty of water and thought that municipal ownership was the only alternative. The department has been efficiently managed by City Engineer R. D. Morgan. For many months, Mexia was not without water a single day. All the while improvements were being made in both the properties of the waterworks and sewerage companies, acquired by the city in the transaction. But all during that time, Mexia was not blessed with what could be termed an abundant water supply. Water was simply available for current needs of the Mexia of today. Then, in recent days came a great water need. For several days during the week just closed, many families have been without a drop of water except around mid-night. Citizens who lived upstairs, on hilltops and in high places may have had it on the others less elevated when it came to cool breezes, but those downstairs and in lower places had it when it came to water. Some of the citizens have been without water all the time and all of the citizens without water some of the time. When these in the valleys and lower parts of the city had water, many of them turned on their hydrants and let the crystal flow pour out over soulless flowers and dumb grass when fellow citizens neighbors and their children suffered for a drop to press to their parched tongues. It mattered not to them if human beings suffered or if a fire should break out and menace all other property in the city, their laws had to be refreshed. This thoughtless disregard of the other fellow's rights should no longer maintain and The News believes that it will not happen again now that the results of their practice has been called to their attention with strong but due emphasis.

Just a few of the citizens, however cannot solve the needs of the hour with any degree of permanence. A most thorough and competent investigation should be made by experts at once. Should they decide that Mexia needs to install new mains to Springfield, lots install them, admitting if necessary that Mexia made a bad bargain when she purchased a "worn out piece of furniture," if such is the case. If they decide that the present water source should be enlarged, augmented, supplemented and aided to by artesian wells or by a dam and big lake, then let's do whatever is necessary. Let's get the water. It will cost Mexia more to hesitate and to sit down than it will to act promptly, with decision and action.

In the meantime, The News recommends that the city officials set apart a small fund to inform the public through The Mexia Daily News, the paper that reaches all the people of Mexia, and not expect the home daily to explain the situation conscientiously without some patronage.

## Solemn Tribute Greet's Funeral Cortege

### Coolidge Proclaims Day Of Mourning

Pres Lewis Predicts Anthracite Coal Strike.



John L. Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers of America, in commenting on the refusal of the anthracite coal operators to recognize the union and adopt the "check off" system, by which the operators would collect union dues and fines, declared in Atlantic City, his belief that this Winter will see another hard-coal strike and that it might even extend to the bituminous fields.

WELL KNOWN MINISTER AT CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN

Plans are being made for a great day at the Central Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening. Rev. S. M. Barnett of Arlington, one of the leading ministers of that denomination, will preach at both hours. Large congregations are expected and urged.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Preaching at the First Presbyterian church today, both morning and evening hours. Sunday school at the usual hour. All are invited.

YESTERDAY HOT DAY

Yesterday was one of the hottest days of the summer, the government thermometer at 3 o'clock in the afternoon registering 104.

Mrs. W. A. Wallace Jr. and two boys, Willie and Robert Burns, of Denison are visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wallace.

Mrs. Wilbur Harris and little son, Leon, spent the week-end in Corsicana with friends and relatives.

Mrs. J. C. Phillips and children from Jacksonville, Texas are visiting her sisters, Mrs. J. L. Sinclair and Mrs. Rube Storey.

Miss Catherine McGrail and Genevieve Hughes went to Dallas Thursday returning the next day.

Mrs. Ben D. Jackson of Beaumont has returned to her home after a short visit with her friend, Miss Anne Stevens.

Miss Elizabeth McDonald of Ennis is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Fred Karner, Sr.

Miss Alice Simmonds of Temple, is visiting in the home of her uncle, B. B. Simmonds.

that will help maintain The Mexia News as a public institution. This applies not only to the water problem but to all departments of municipal life. The News is anxious to measure up to a high standard as a newspaper that carries all the news. But it can be no bigger than the support given it. Many happenings around the city hall and records in city departments are of interest to the public and the citizens of this municipality have a right to know about them. The Mayor, the city commission and city manager are very open and frank and are very willing to allow The News to have access to all departments and publish the facts as found and all news of interest, but the home daily, the official organ of the city of Mexia, is limited in doing this because of inadequate support, not only from the city of Mexia but all other so called public utilities as well.

## Evidence Of National Sorrow Shown All Along Journey To The East

By LAWRENCE MARTIN (United Press Staff Correspondent)

ENROUTE WITH THE PRESIDENT HARDING FUNERAL TRAIN, Aug. 4.—Bearing as its precious freight the Nation's illustrious dead, shrouded in sorrow and weeping the special funeral train carrying President Harding's body to Washington was speeding across Nevada today.

Almost every mile of the way from San Francisco has furnished evidence of the Nation's sorrow. All through the night as the train plunged on at a speed equalled only by the crack Overland Flyers, men women and children could be seen standing along the track, the men bearded and all wearing a hushed and reverent look.

The flag draped casket rests in the same car in which the late President journeyed across the continent on his way to Alaska. At its head and foot the guard of honor—two soldiers and two sailors—stand rigidly at attention.

As the Presidential funeral train crosses the full breadth of the bereaved country millions will observe its passing. In the lighter car there is a profusion of flowers.

There is a simple rosewood coffin with "Warren Gamaliel Harding" inscribed on its small silver plate.

It is guarded by soldiers, sailors and marines, chosen from the detachments that accompanied President Harding on the Henderson. Though the train will not pause for ceremony it will proceed at a slower pace through towns and cities. Only for operating requirements will it halt before reaching the capital.

The crowds that stood in the night were obviously moved by the passing presence, for no sound came from them. They stood in mute respect as the train with the flag-draped coffin in the last car went by.

In the same car was the grave and tragic figure of Mrs. Harding, facing still several days of need to keep fighting her grief, still too much in the public eye to be allowed to go away by herself with her sorrow.

It was impossible for Mrs. Harding to rest as she needs to rest. Her nerves are too unstrung for quiet sleep, her heart throbbing too painfully to the new wound to permit her the repose that she should have. But her spirit was unbroken, her poise unimpaired. Mrs. Harding gives new evidence almost every hour of the magnificence of her courage.

Other members of the party, worn out with grief and loss of sleep, rested today.

It was the calm courage of Mrs. Harding—a quiet, steady going courage that contained no hint of heroic—that caused all arrangements for the first simple funeral services and for removal of the President's body from the hotel suite in San Francisco to the train to run as smoothly as with the dignity of Mr. Harding's wife and his countrymen would have wished.

Through all the trying time since she awoke from an exhausted, disturbed sleep into which she finally sank after midnight on the night the President died, Mrs. Harding "saw it through". It was her calm self-control that made it possible for the others to play their parts in the hurried arrangements for departure, without having to worry about how the President's wife would act. She herself directed the arrangements for the funeral services at the Palace Hotel.

Her quiet thoughtfulness made things wonderfully easy for those who have been considerate of her.

The doctors and nurses who attended her awakening marvelled at the will with which she came back to the world from which her husband had suddenly been taken and arose and dressed and set about the necessary planning for the services.

On the arm of George Christian, who had been President Harding's secretary, the late executive's wife entered the sunlit parlor where the little party had gathered late yesterday afternoon to pray a while for their friend who lay in the simple rosewood coffin with its draping of flags.

Mrs. Harding was in mourning, but not an over-emphasized mourning, just a simple black dress and black hat with a wide brim. Her face was composed. She stood upright while the clergyman's voice went on—"man that is born of woman."

It was when the prayer began that Mrs. Harding's emotion first made itself visible; tears welled in her eyes, but Mrs. Christian slipped quickly to her side and took her hand and there was no break in the services. A minute later Mrs. Harding had herself completely in control.

The secret of Mrs. Harding's marvelous display of thoughtfulness for others in her hour of trial and of indomitable courage through her grief, was pride in her husband, friends said. Several times during the day she went with women friends, the President's sister and others, to look at the remains of the late executive as they lay in the coffin.

Mrs. Harding commented to her friends upon how firm and peaceful were her husband's features in death the fact that the mouth displayed no vacillation. She was proud of his record and of him as a man and she was trying to carry on in the trying period as he would have wanted her to.

The extreme simplicity of the coffin, the services and the ceremonies necessarily incidental to moving the remains to the railroad station, everything, by Mrs. Harding's orders, were simple, as the President would have wished. In this, as in everything else that she did, Mrs. Harding was faithful to her husband's trust.

The flag-draped coffin was carried from the hotel parlor by the friends and Cabinet officers who had served with President Harding, out of the hotel into the late afternoon sunlight where a military cavalcade waited to escort it to funeral train. Members of the party entered carriages as the bells of St. Patrick's cathedral tolled slowly for the executive's passing. The roar of the city was hushed.

A large gray motor hearse received the casket with its one simple laurel wreath the only decoration beside the flag Mr. Harding had served.

Through a crowded canyon of San Francisco streets, with sidewalks jammed and heads filling every window, the cortege passed to the station. There the casket was lifted through a window into the funeral car.

A throng that had gathered in the station was silent. Then the engine bell clanged through the train shed, the conductor raised his arm, a whistle shrieked and the train took up its journey eastward, carrying the Nation's leader back to his rest.

Draperies on the windows of the last car were drawn and those who saw the train pass could look inside and catch a glimpse of the coffin, its flag and floral wreath.

TRAIN ON TIME ROSE CREEK, Nevada, Aug. 4.—The Harding funeral train passed through here at 10:16 (Western time) running on schedule.

WILSON INVITED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—President Coolidge formally invited Woodrow Wilson to take a place of honor in the Harding funeral procession.

STOCKS OFF

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—All stocks were off fractionally at the opening of the New York Stock Exchange, the first day of trading since President Harding's death.

The friends of Blake Smith Jr., will be glad to know that he is rapidly recovering from a very bad cold that threw him into a high fever.

President Calvin Coolidge and Family.



Calvin Coolidge and Family

Here is the very latest photograph of President Coolidge, taken at the home of his father where he took the oath of office early Friday morning. The President's mother is dead. Before leaving for Washington he visited her grave. Standing with his right hand on the shoulder of Calvin, Jr. is the father, John C. Coolidge, 78, although he doesn't show his age, who administered the oath of office to his son. In the group are: Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge and their sons, Calvin, Jr. and John and John C. Coolidge, the President's father.

## President Coolidge Announces National and Government Policies Will Temporarily Stand as They Are Until After Funeral

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—All matters of national policy and government will stand temporarily as they are, President Coolidge announced in his first conference with newspaper men. No changes or any public commitment of new administration until after President Harding's funeral. He told newspaper men that he would give a semi-weekly press conference, as Harding did. Mr. Coolidge stood in the center of a group of correspondents in making the announcement. He did not smile once, but spoke with a tight lipped accent as if in grim determination.

President Harding's secretary, George Christian, and his physician, General Sawyer, will remain in their offices, as President Coolidge has given no thought as yet to men to fill their places. He denied that cabinet members had offered their resignations, and said, "those who have given their efforts to assist him (Harding) I wish to remain in office that they may help me."

WATER HITS PARTS OF POWELL

Much has been said concerning the water problems now originating in the Powell field. The subject has been magnified a great deal by local operators there. The Oil Weekly says of the subject.

Appearance of cut oil in three of the largest producers completed to date in the southwest end of the Corsicana-Powell field and completion of failures along the south edge of the structure during the past week further indicates that the productive area will be long and exceedingly narrow, with possibilities of the trend of production now taking a westerly course. Since the northeast end of the field, which was known to be low on the structure, gave up its flush production in a brief period and has about settled to pumpers as far southwest as the creek, the operators were holding out hopes for a more prolific and broader producing area in the southwest end. A few flowing wells remain east of the creek, but their output is falling off rapidly.

Having extended the southwest end of the field more than a quarter of a mile farther south, Cranfill-Penn-Watts & Farrish's J. R. Gentry 1 blew in last Thursday flowing 1500 barrels of 36.2 gravity oil during a two-hour gauge from sand at 2361-68 feet. A 6 inch line was already laid to the well by Magnolia to purchase the oil, but basic sediment and water developed to such an extent that the well had to be shut in. Early this week it was opened up, and flowed 1000 barrels, but went into salt water, thereby limiting the productive area in this particular direction. Humble's B. F. Irvine 1-A, which blew in July 11 from sand at 2338-50 feet making about 25,000 barrels daily, and later choked, was opened wide last Thursday. It flowed more than 15,000 barrels on a 24-hour test, but developed about 8 per cent basic sediment. This well was then choked to 400 barrels per hour and the basic sediment declined to 2 per cent. Early this week the basic sediment increased to about 8 per cent, although further choked to 100 barrels per hour.

McPhail Oil Company's G. Springfield 1, located in a 10-acre tract east of the creek and about a half mile south of production, failed to make a producer from a sand found early this week at 2949-56 feet, and went into salt water at 2970 feet. The scarcity of water for drilling greatly retarded operations in the field during the past week, but a number of the operators are running lines to purchase water from the city of Corsicana. The 8 inch water line being built from the Trinity River to the field under the names of James Anderson by a group of the major concerns in the field will probably be in operation before the end of the week.

Although the Prairie Pipe Line Company has reached the Corsicana-Powell field with its 8 inch line, it is not able to operate full capacity, as it has not been completely welded from Currie to tank farms at Mexia. Sinclair Pipe Line Company reports that its 8 inch line is about half completed, and will evidently be ready to start running Humphreys Oil Company's oil late in August. Sinclair's pump station will be completed before the line reaches the field. In the meantime Humphreys Oil Company has begun running on steel storage tanks in the lower end of the field, in addition to that taken by Prairie through its small line.

Mrs. Hoover has returned from a two weeks visit to Mr. Hoover's old home in Kentucky and is now at home in Mexia and Corsicana.

## Friday August Tenth To Be Observed In U. S.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—President Coolidge, in his first official proclamation, designated Friday, Aug. 10 as a day of mourning. He requested that appropriate services and ceremonies be observed, and earnestly recommended to the people that they assemble in their respective places of worship to pay reverence to the memory of a "great and good president."

Woodrow Wilson is expected to take a prominent part in the funeral ceremonies of President Harding. Arrangements are being made for Mr. Wilson's participation. A cavalry squadron and a battalion of field artillery are to meet the funeral train Tuesday afternoon.

By PAUL R. MALLON. (United Press Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—President Calvin Coolidge today officially took over control of the Government of the United States.

In a temporary White House on the third floor of the New Willard hotel, the new President performed the first functions of his new office.

The first official act of his administration was to set the funeral arrangements for his chief who died.

Immediately upon his arrival, Mr. Coolidge summoned the members of his Cabinet who are in town—Secretary of State Hughes and Postmaster General Harry S. New.

It was decided that the body of the late President will be met by the new executive and members of his official family—the same official family which functioned for Mr. Harding—and escorted to the White House when it arrived here Tuesday.

The State funeral will take place on Wednesday when the body of Mr. Harding will be taken down Pennsylvania avenue, where he rode a little more than two years ago to his inaugural to the Capitol where it will lie in State in the great rotunda.

This display that goes with the funeral of the chief of a State will be seen when the cortege moves from the White House to the Capitol. There will be a military band playing the funeral march and an escort of soldiers pacing slowly. Members of the Supreme Court, congressmen, diplomats and representatives of every phase of Washington's official life will be in the procession, according to the plans which were announced shortly after Mr. Coolidge reached Washington.

At the Capitol the catafalque will be placed beneath the great dome in the rotunda where others of the Nation's dead have lain in solemn state. Soldiers and sailors, arms grounded, heads bowed, will stand on guard around the casket. After the funeral services, the people will be admitted to pay their last respects to the dead President and to lay wreaths beside him. Then at 8 p. m. the body will be removed to the funeral train and started for Marion, Ohio, for interment.

Immediately upon his arrival in Washington last night the new President received Secretary Hughes, Postmaster General New and other officials and approved the funeral plans which had been drawn up.

Mr. Coolidge's arrival in the capital was solemn. Grave faces greeted him. An automobile stood at the union station and in it he was whisked to the New Willard hotel, escorted by some of the same Secret Service men who watched over President Wilson and Harding. Several of these agents have just returned to Washington after acting as "advance guard" for Mr. Harding on his last trip and they immediately took up their new duties.

Mr. Coolidge began his first day as President in Washington with a vim. He arranged a newspaper conference, his first to the reporters of the capital, for 11 a. m. He will go to the office he occupied as Vice-President in the Senate Office Building and there "look over the mail," which has accumulated in his absence.



# Latest News From The Oil Fields

## Three Thousand Barrel Well Is Added To Luling

LULING, Texas, August 5.—Making three thousand barrels of pure pipe line oil, the Merrivether Number four well of the Grayburg Oil company is the latest producer to be completed in this field. Setting casing at 2100 feet, the well was drilled to a depth of 2142 feet after having penetrated the pay a distance of only a few feet. The completion of the Number four well for this company makes six gushers for them out of six tracts, all of which are located on a seventeen acre tract now considered one of the most valuable small leases in the entire southwest. This well also makes the tenth producer on the Merrivether farm and the eighteenth to be completed in the greater Luling field.

Five additional producers are looked for within the next few days four of which are in the proven area and one located in wildcat territory. This well, the Ross Number One of the Witherpoon Oil company, after having bailed considerable oil, is being drilled deeper in the hope of striking the big pay of the main Luling structure.

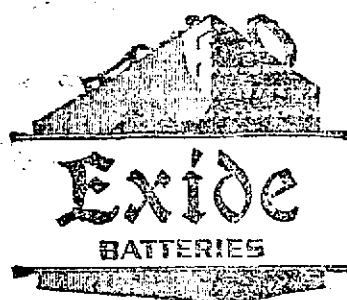
A test that is attracting considerable attention is the Seals Creek Oil company, Inc. well on the Procter farm which is now down 1900 feet. The log of this well shows it to be checking with the Merrivether producers and its completion as a well will mean a considerable southwest extension to the main field.

As a result of the many completions within the past ten days and the large demand for Luling crude, which is being cared for by five pipe lines, this field is probably the most active in Texas.

## Mexia-Corsicana District Output

The following daily production reports for the week ending July 31, 1923, is taken of the Mexia-Corsicana Oil Field District from The Oil Weekly.

Mexia	Barrels
Humphreys Co.	21,400
General Oil Company (for)	
Merriweather Oil Corp.	3,590
H. L. Smith Oil Co.	3,100
J. K. Hughes	2,745
Hamm Oil Co.	2,550
Magnolia Petroleum Co.	2,505
Gulf Production Co.	2,585
Atlantic Oil Co.	2,320
H. J. Parker	1,715
Galena Signal Oil Co.	940
Sun Company	640
Danciger Oil Co.	555
The Texas Company	550
Owenwood Oil Corp.	375
Houston Oil Company	210
Monarch	50
Miscellaneous	1,985
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,535</b>
<b>Last Week</b>	<b>50,510</b>
Corsica	Barrels
Snowden & Sweeney	1,500
Humphreys Co.	685
J. K. Hughes	670
Brothers Oil Co.	325
Newblock Oil Company	415



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Homaokla Oil Company	420
Gulf Production Co.	370
Trapshooters Oil Co.	133
Cusden Oil & Ref. Co.	90
Texas Company	5

<b>Total</b>	<b>4,910</b>
<b>Last week</b>	<b>4,965</b>

<b>Richland</b>	
Sun Company	125
Panhandle Oil & Ref. Co.	10

<b>Total</b>	<b>135</b>
<b>Last week</b>	<b>210</b>

<b>Total Mexia district</b>	<b>53,380</b>
<b>Last week</b>	<b>55,115</b>

<b>Powell</b>	
Humble Oil & Ref. Co.	31,865
J. K. Hughes	18,200
McMann Oil Company	10,855

<b>Humphreys et al.</b>	<b>10,460</b>
Gulf Prod. Co.	8,940
E. L. Smith Oil Co.	8,595

<b>Roxana Ref. Corp.</b>	<b>4,645</b>
Sun Company	3,955
Munger-Bowers et al.	3,010

<b>Witherspoon Oil Co.</b>	<b>2,920</b>
Mitchell & Jones	2,860
U. S. Tex.	985

<b>Thompson et al.</b>	<b>910</b>
Corsicana (heavy)	400
Corsicana (light)	275

<b>Total</b>	<b>109,815</b>
<b>Last week</b>	<b>80,280</b>

<b>Combined total</b>	<b>163,195</b>
<b>Last week</b>	<b>135,695</b>

<b>Houston</b>	<b>A fig orchard of six thousand acres is to be set out on the old Turnbow Ranch thirty-five miles south of Houston according to E. O. Glenn, president of the Texas Orchards company.</b>
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<b>Judge Fountain Kirby</b>	<b>was in town Friday enroute to Corsicana on business.</b>
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<b>WANTED TO BUY</b>	<b>Good milk cow must be giving an average of three gallons per day, and priced reasonable. Box 88—News.</b>
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## Mexia Twenty Years Ago

Compiled By N. P. Houx  
From Files of Mexia Evening News  
Of August 2, 1903.

Joe Denning came up from Groesbeck to spend Sunday at home.

Miss Ruby Munger of Birmingham, Ala., who has been visiting relatives here, has gone to Austin to visit.

Master Elbert Crawford of Houston, is visiting the family of H. L. Hall.

Hon. John L. Wortham passed through the city going south Sunday.

W. B. Kendrick went down to Thornton Sunday, to spend several days.

Mrs. Hugh Everett and son, Master Estel, and Miss Carrie Everett left Monday night for Lumpkin, Ga., to spend a few weeks visiting Miss Everett's father.

Mrs. V. Wolverton has returned from Waxahachie where she has been attending the Chautauqua.

Mrs. I. Newman and little daughter, Miss Josie, have returned from Galveston and other points south.

Editorial.—The Dallas News says: "Dallas county worries along with an average of eight marriages and twelve births a day." That looks like a pretty big percentage of twins.

Died.—Mrs. Barbara K., wife of J. W. Stubenrauch, died at the family home west of the city Thursday night after a long and painful illness. The funeral occurred Thursday afternoon from the Catholic church, and Father

Gleasoner of Hearne conducted the services.

The local lodge of Odd Fellows installed officers, and there are still living here the following: John Vaughan, V. G.; I. Newman, secretary; A. M. Stevens, C. J. Sterling, J. C. C. Keys, Wm. Rees, and A. D. McDonald, appointive officers. East Grand N.P. Houx acted as installing officer.

The Knights of Pythias installed officers, of whom the following are still living here: W. M. White, C. C.; Dr. R. B. Jackson, M. of W.; J. P. Anderson, I. G. Jos. B. Long now of Cleburne and J. W. Reid, now of Canyon City, were also officers.

FOR RENT.—One of the best equipped four room apartments in town. Hot and cold water, electric lights, gas and telephone furnished. Also garage space if desired. Apply to J. I. Riddle, at J. I. Riddle and Company. 513

Corsicana.—High tension transmission lines from the Waco station to and through the Corsicana oil fields are being constructed by the Texas Power and Light company to afford power for oil field operations. This company is also extending transmission lines between Tyler, Athens and Palestine.

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### DUNAWAY GOES ON VACATION

J. P. Dunaway of the Kaufman Street Grocery has been busy the past few days getting hooks, lines, sinkers and corks in shape for that big fish.

He expects to angle in the briny waters of the Gulf of Mexico, the destination being Corpus Christi. After fishing for a few days, he will also

visit his aged father at Lamison, Alabama, who will be 88 years old his next birthday. Mr. O. Y. Manning who recently acquired an interest in the Kaufman Street Grocery, will be in charge of the business during Mr. Dunaway's absence.

B. B. Simmonds is spending the week-end in Corsicana on business.



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Ford and Fordson dealers, are now displaying in their show room the latest addition to the Ford family—Ammonium Sulphate.

Ford Ammonium Sulphate is a by-product of the River Rouge coke ovens. At the present time, thirty tons daily are being obtained and it is Mr. Ford's intention to place it in the hands of farmers needing a high-grade nitrogen fertilizer, selling it through his dealers at a price representing cost of production.

Farmers are well acquainted with the value of applying cotton seed and cotton seed meal to their land. Some idea of the value of Ford Ammonium Sulphate as a nitrogen carrier may be obtained by the fact that it takes 260 pounds of cottonseed meal, 1650 pounds of ordinary fertilizer or 4000 pounds of good stable manure, to equal 100 pounds of ammonium sulphate in nitrogen content.

Our most progressive farmers, merchants and bankers realize that the time is not far distant when our farm lands, under the present system of crop growing, will be depleted of this life giving element of nitrogen. Even where crop rotation is practiced the amount of nitrogen extracted is many times greater than that supplied by plowing under legumes, etc. While nothing will supplant proper cultivation of the soil, the use of ammonium sulphate together with any other element the soil may need, will insure a continuous maximum production.

Mr. Ford, himself a farmer until twenty-one years of age, and conceded by all the foremost thinkers of this age is constantly bending his energies and the vast resources at his command to better the farmers' economic condition and make life on the farm what he says it should be—the most pleasant and profitable occupation in the world, instead of a drudgery.

## Baseball

Anheier, Waco's new first baseman with an average of .377 is the leading hitter of the Texas Association for games including those of July 28, while Hub Northern of Mexia is only one point behind. Don Flynn, now with Waco, continues, however, as the real leader with an average of .368 for 71 games played. Don is also the leading home run swatter, having smacked out 18. Tom Lacy of Sherman continues to climb, and now has an average of .318, but Pipkin of Marlin has slipped from .331 to .322. Butler of Mexia continues to rank among the leaders with an average of .314, while Lacy, formerly of Corsicana, but now with Waco, is still well over the .300 mark with an average of .322. Holtz, Corsicana's

new first baseman, has an average of .324 for his first nine games played. Simpson and Chatham of Marlin are climbing, each having an average of .295.

Gillespie, Austin's hard-hitting outfielder, who boasts of an average of .322, is the leading run getter of the association with 68, but he is closely pressed by Malmquist of Corsicana Lewis of Sherman and Butler of Mexia.

Following are the averages:

PLAYER	G	A	B	R	H	R	Avg.
Anheier, W	14	53	5	20	0	377	
Northern, Mx	34	93	22	35	3	376	
Flynn, W	71	268	53	97	18	362	
Bryan, Mx	59	224	38	73	2	325	
Holtz, C	9	37	4	12	2	324	
Lacey, C	57	186	20	60	5	322	
Pipkin, M	95	331	47	106	8	322	
Gillespie, A	96	388	68	125	5	322	
Pyle, S	100	397	61	127	3	318	
Butler, Mx	101	397	64	125	2	314	
Gressett, M	56	143	18	44	2	308	
Barrett, W	21	86	14	26	5	302	
Ferguson, W	40	137	19	41	4	299	
Chatham, M	100	369	54	109	11	295	
Simpson, M	53	210	24	61	1	295	
Bechtol, Mx	63	227	41	67	3	295	
Jones, C	22	86	11	25	0	291	
McIver, S	96	335	48	97	13	289	
Malmquist, C	98	367	65	93	2	286	
Shires, W	73	265	40	73	2	284	
Leedy, Mx	97	333	55	95	11	282	
Hudspeth, C	22	82	5	23	1	280	
Autrey, A	67	200	21	55	4	275	
Henderson, A	87	198	26	55	12	273	
Erwin, S	39	124	14	35	0	272	
Lewis, A	63	254	33	69	0	271	
Meanor, S	83	310	42	84	0	270	
Clements, A	98	399	50	107	9	269	
McKay, S	73	261	35	70	3	268	
Munch, W	23	45	1	12	1	266	
Greer, M	70	247	25	65	5	263	
Whitworth, A	53	149	21	39	1	261	
Untz, Mx	77	261	47	68	6	260	
Boone, C	28	53	7	15	2	259	
Stovall, Mx	16	39	7	10	0	256	
Grubb, C	93	325	63	82	9	252	
Dockery, M	69	255	35	64	9	251	
Craig, S	85	294	35	74	5	251	
Flagg, S	39	151	21	38	0	251	
Crow, Mx	56	191	13	48	2	251	
Comstock, W	33	137	22	35	0	248	
Bupp, W	95	336	44	83	2	247	
Sengotta, C	70	247	28	66	2	247	
Siemer, C	85	324	33	80	2	247	
Collins, A	24	65	4	16	0	246	
Sain, C	90	346	43	85	6	246	
Royster, Mx	78	298	43	73	1	245	
Holloway, A	82	310	47	75	15	242	
Whitney, Mx	99	360	59	87	3	242	
Schroyer, W	90	300	32	74	2	241	
Geppert, Mx	101	304	58	95	2	241	
Richburg, S	30	87	9	21	3	241	
Griggs, A	72	287	33	69	4	240	
Canton, A	16	71	10	17	0	239	
Covington, M	85	114	13	27	0	237	
R. Johnson, A	86	317	33	75	6	236	
Speegle, A	91	356	42	83	1	233	
Lovrance, W	45	159	25	37	7	232	
Howell, Mx	80	289	34	67	0	231	
Lewis, S	100	406	65	105	2	231	

## OVER A HUNDRED BALES GINNED AT COOLIDGE PAST WEEK

Cotton is now being ginned in all parts of Limestone and Freestone counties. Gins at practically all points will be running steadily within a few days. At Coolidge, the week ends

with two gins running there and during the week over one hundred bales have been ginned. Cotton around Coolidge, in spots, is good, while a short crop throughout Limestone county is certain. The drought has been so prolonged that the entire section is suffering and this is falling most heavily on the burdened shoulders of Limestone farmers.

Amarillo.—Resumption of the electric street car service in this city after suspension of two weeks for repairs to the tracks and equipment has pleased the people and added patronage has followed.

## MINIMUM WAGE FOR CLERGY

LONDON.—A Minimum wage of \$1,500 a year will shortly be established for Church of England clergymen, the Archbishop of Canterbury announced today.

Six hundred forty acres, all in cultivation and all choice black land, located three miles from Robstown. The best improved farm in Nueces county, including attractive residence and many modern conveniences. Priced to sell, with terms of one-third or more cash and balance long time. Address H. M. Roper, Robstown, Texas 5-37

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Dallas.—The block signal system in this city that was installed about a month ago is working out. C. J. Crampton of the Dallas Railway company told the Rotary club that the system has reduced accidents for his company.

## Safety----- A Real Service

Every motorist is daily impressed with the greatly increased traffic and its consequent danger. There are three times as many cars on our streets today as there were five years ago.

Yet police tests show that 2,500,000 cars have faulty brakes today—one out of every four. Brakes have assumed a new overwhelming importance to every car owner.

Safety isn't a matter of how fast you are going, but how quickly you can stop. Statistics show that out of nearly 600,000 motor accidents of last year, approximately 65 per cent occurred at fifteen miles an hour or less. These accidents happened not because the driver was speeding, but because the driver couldn't stop in time. His brakes may have worked well enough in little emergencies, but when the big test came they failed to hold as they should—and the newspapers got the story.

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## CONFIDENCE BEGETS CONFIDENCE

"Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as a little child  
the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall  
receive one such little one in my name, receiveth me. But who-  
shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it  
is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck  
and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."—Matt. 18-

The first duty of a parent is to his child. The child has a  
right to be grounded in the principles which will make his life  
happy and successful. The teaching of children in the way they  
could go requires knowledge, patience and sincerity, and  
give all, an example on the part of the parent as to right liv-  
ing. Children are imitators and very often follow in the way  
the parents.

Do you as a parent set the example you should for your  
children? Do you treat them as inferior beings, or do you  
use in them a spirit of self-confidence by putting confidence  
in them? Confidence begets confidence.

Do you take them to church with you and do you answer  
loyally and frankly the questions of life which they are entitled  
to know? The church will help you answer your child's questions  
and is one great force which is holding the family together as a  
Christian unit.

## RETAIL PRICE OF FOOD RISES WHILE FARM PRODUCTS DECLINE.

Thirteen articles of food—all of them but two produced by  
American farmers—increased in price at retail in the month of  
July 15 to June 15, although practically all agricultural prod-  
ucts, including livestock, were declining in value at the farm,  
according to the official figures of the United States Bureau  
Labor Statistics. These articles and the rate of increase in  
price for each were as follows: Potatoes 19 per cent; round  
steak, 5 per cent; sirloin steak, leg of lamb, and onions, each 4  
per cent; chuck roast and bananas, each 3 per cent; rib roast  
and cheese, each 2 per cent; ham and fresh eggs, each 1 per  
cent, and vegetable lards and substitutes and tea, each about one-  
half of 1 per cent.

By way of comment on this rise in the cost of living to  
consumers it is interesting to reproduce a paragraph from the  
department of Agriculture's publication, "Weather, Crops and  
Markets," page 27, for July 14:

"The prices for meat animals—hogs, cattle, sheep and  
chickens—to producers decreased 5.1 per cent from May 15 to  
June 15," says this authoritative bulletin. "In the past 10 years  
prices decreased in like period 1 per cent. On June 15 the index  
of prices for these meat animals was about 16.3 per cent  
lower than a year ago, 4.1 per cent lower than two years ago,  
and 28.2 per cent lower than the average for the past 10 years."  
It is the old familiar story. The producer is getting less,  
the consumer is paying more.

## FARMERS ARE "RAINBOW CHASERS" SAYS SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.

With the farmers of the country in revolt against Republi-  
can reactionism, the officials of the administration and other  
Guard spokesmen are now trying to blame the farmer for  
the present distressful condition of agriculture. According to an  
interview with Secretary of Agriculture Wallace in the Washing-  
ton publication, the Spotlight, formerly the Searchlight, the  
doctors of the farmers are called "mushy" and the farmers them-  
selves are ridiculed as "rainbow chasers." We quote from the  
interview:

"If farmer leaders would stop shouting about the farmer's  
right duty to feed and clothe the world, farmers would be bet-  
ter off." The Secretary indicated that this sort of talk was  
pretty soft, girly-girly stuff.

"They ought to have more of the iron that labor leaders  
have in their make up," he said.

"Farmers, generally speaking, are in pretty desperate  
straits; is there anything they can do, collectively, which will  
help them out?" I suggested.

"You know them and their leaders, as well as I do," the  
Secretary replied, "they won't pull together; they go off chas-  
ing rainbows and get lost tracked too easily."

"No, the problem is only for the individual farmer to solve  
studying the situation; increasing his per acre production  
and decreasing his unit of cost; hiring less help, and doing every-  
thing and raising everything that he can by his own efforts  
and that of his family," he said.

"You know the problem is really solving itself," he con-  
cluded.

"How? Mr. Secretary," I asked.

Whereupon, Secretary Wallace explained as follows:

"The marginal farmer, that is, the farmer who is on the  
very fringe of solvency, either through disadvantageous loca-  
tion, climatically, or with reference to markets, or the farmer  
on poor soil, or the inefficient farmer—farmers like these are  
being crowded out and going into the cities.

"This means that labor wages are going to come down, due  
to better competition, and in this way a proper ratio between  
the earning capacity of the farmer and the industrial worker will  
be brought about."

There you have the solution of the agricultural problem  
from the highest administration authority. When enough farm-  
ers have been driven from their farms to the cities by failure to

make a living, then farm production will decrease to the point  
where the surviving farmers will get a higher price for their  
products and labor will get lower wages by reason of the in-  
creased supply of labor provided by the impoverished farmers.

What will the farmers think of this solution by the Cab-  
inet officer of the Harding administration in charge of their in-  
terests, and how does it harmonize with the promises of agri-  
cultural prosperity made to the farmers in the campaign of  
1920 and repeated in 1922?

## CENTRAL TEXAS PRESS By N. E. Houx.

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### The Meanest Man.

Talk about the "meanest man." He  
may be in other places, but he recently  
got away long enough to come to Me-  
xia (doesn't make this city his regu-  
lar home, thank you), and invaded  
the Daily News office and attempted  
to get off with three of our much  
needed buzz fans, but left two of them  
in the middle of the floor and only got  
away with one, which belonged in the  
business office. The mercury goes up  
to 100 in this office every day, so it  
is easy to understand that we need  
fans. But he didn't bother "our" fan,  
which is a common looking thing with-  
out a shield—looks like a Ford with  
the body lifted off—so we still get our  
breeze, even though it is often only hot  
air. Any man that would steal a  
fellow's fan such weather as this is  
a low down, pusillanimous, knocked  
kneed, pigeon toed, blankity, blank,  
blank, blank, and when he dies he  
better take that fan with him for he  
"shore" will need it.

A Terrell tightwad says his favorite  
hymn is "Jesus paid it all."—Terrell  
Transcript.

Which brings to mind the next line  
of the song, "All to him I owe," so the  
tightwad must disgorge finally, or go  
to—

It is difficult enough these hot sum-  
mer nights to sleep, but when one is  
compelled to combat nature and a  
howling dog chorus every night, it is  
no wonder that we lose our religion.—  
Denison Herald.

What did you say, Ellis, can't you  
print it?

Now word comes from San Antonio  
a golfer will start by moonlight Fri-  
day morning at 1 o'clock in an effort  
to break the world's Marathon golf  
record. If we must have marathons  
why not make them on something of  
value to you and your country. Cotton  
picking is now on so we suggest that  
some one start a marathon cotton pick-  
ing contest.—Bryan Eagle.

Good suggestion, but some people  
don't like to take advice.

We have been able to convince all of  
the multitude except Major Houx of  
the Mexia News, that the back yard  
of the Journal is situated right over  
the mother oil pool. You had just  
as well fall in line Major, for there  
ain't goin' to be no opportunity to say,  
"I told you so."—Groesbeck Journal.

Wouldn't mind falling in line,  
George, if the "line" leads to some-  
thing more than a wildcat.

Marathons are merely contests to  
ascertain how long the contestants  
can keep awake, and whether it be  
automobile, dancing, piano-playing,  
shooting craps, or spitting at a mark,  
it is absolutely certain that any of  
these things will keep one awake  
longer than honest toil will.—Geo.  
Bailey in Houston Post.

In the old days when certain places  
in Santone never did close, they had  
drinking marathons, and if there had  
been records kept it is very likely that  
no one nowadays would attempt to  
break it—except "in kind."

Brethren, please ship out two or  
three hundred car loads of our big  
watermelons. We can't consume the  
crop, though we are bowlegged now  
from trying to. We could swim a  
mile in the watermelon juice we have  
spilled on our shirt front already this  
summer.—Palestine Herald.

Goos to your legs does it? That is  
not the way the "boneless" effects us.  
It gives us "aldermanic proportions."

During August, and while crops are  
being laid by," the Recorder will be pub-  
lished in as small form as possible, in  
order that we, too, may have some  
vacation during the "dog days," there-  
by enabling us to enjoy the luscious  
watermelons, fruits, etc., and also to  
have a little time to try our skill  
catching the little fishes. After Au-  
gust, we will begin with renewed  
energy and activity, to try to give  
you the best County Paper.—Fairfield  
Recorder.

And yet some will tell you that run-  
ning a country newspaper is an un-  
profitable and thankless job. A busi-  
ness that will permit the owner to cut  
down its size and hide himself away to  
the creek and the melon patch, etc.,  
is certainly a boon and Lee Kirgan  
should consider himself lucky. Of  
course, when he gets back on the job  
he will feel fresh and fit and will then  
make up for lost time.

Z. Anglin from Groesbeck, who is  
well known all over the county as a  
popular cotton gin man, was in the  
city last week shaking hands with old  
friends.

## Letters from People

### FARM BUREAU SPEAKING

Groesbeck, Texas, August 3, 1929.

J. W. Hall, secretary of the Texas  
Farm Bureau Cotton association will  
address the cotton farmers of Lim-  
estone county on co-operative market-  
ing of cotton at the courthouse here at  
noon August 6th. Mr. Hall, himself  
a large producer of cotton as well as  
a trained business man of wide ex-  
perience.

An aggressive campaign of educa-  
tion will be carried on through the  
month of August covering the entire  
county for the purpose of thoroughly  
acquainting every farmer and business  
man with the working plans and re-  
sults of co-operative cotton selling. It  
is the earnest hope of the officials and  
members of the association that every  
farmer especially, who can do so, will  
hear Mr. Hall Monday.

At ten o'clock of the same day Hon.  
Lynch Davidson will deliver an ad-  
dress, the occasion being the annual  
meeting of the school trustees of the  
county. Mr. Davidson is a product of  
Limestone county and it is anticipated  
and hoped by many citizens of the  
county who knew him in his boyhood  
here, that he will be in the race for  
governor next year. His address, how-  
ever will have no bearing on that ques-  
tion but will be devoted to a discussion  
of the tax problem and other public  
issues of interest.

—J. E. Farrow, Correspondent.

## STANDARD FOR COTTON

Whereas an Act was passed during  
the Fourth Session of the Sixty-Sev-  
enth Congress (H. R. 14302) to estab-  
lish and promote the use of the official  
cotton standards of the United States  
in interstate and foreign commerce;  
to prevent deception therein and to  
provide for the proper application of  
such standards; and for other pur-  
poses, and

Whereas House Bill No. 97, Acts of  
the Thirty-fifth Legislature approved  
by the Governor on May the 25th, 1917  
provides in Section Ten, the standards  
of weights and measures of this State  
shall be the standards of weights and  
measures used under the terms and  
provisions of this Act (Terms and  
provisions of House Bill No. 97). It  
shall be the duty of the Commissioner  
to establish standards of classification  
of cotton, corn and other farm and  
ranch products, of whatever kind and  
character, which may be subject to  
classification; and originals of such  
standards so established, shall be  
maintained, subject to public inspec-  
tion, in the office of the Commissioner.  
at all reasonable times and duplicates  
of such standards, as well as the stand-  
ards of weights and measures, shall be  
furnished by the Commissioner to all  
persons who may apply therefor upon  
the payment of the necessary cost  
thereof.

Now, therefore, I, Charles E. Baugh-  
man, Commissioner of the Markets  
and Warehouse Department and Super-  
intendent of Weights and Measures  
of the State of Texas, by virtue of au-  
thority vested in me, as conferred in  
Section Ten of House Bill Number 97,  
Acts of the Thirty-fifth Legislature of  
Texas, approved on the 25th day of  
May, A. D. 1917, do hereby establish  
as the official standards of grade or  
other class for cotton in the State of  
Texas the standards for grades or  
other class for cotton as have been  
promulgated and established by the  
Secretary of Agriculture for the United  
States Official Standards, to wit:

Grade (No. 1) Middling Fair, M. F.  
Grade (No. 2) Strict Good Mid-  
dling, S. G. M.  
Grade (No. 3) Good Middling  
G. M.  
Grade (No. 4) Strict Middling,  
S. M.  
Grade (No. 5) Middling, M.  
Grade (No. 6) Strict Low Mid-  
dling, S. L. M.  
Grade (No. 7) Low Middling,  
L. M.  
Grade (No. 8) Strict Good Or-  
dinary, S. G. O.  
Grade (No. 9) Good Ordinary,  
G. O.

Said standards for grade and other  
class shall be effective from and after  
date of August the 1st, A. D. 1929.

In testimony whereof, I have here-  
unto signed by name officially, and  
have caused the seal of my office to  
be affixed hereto, this the 28th day  
of July, A. D. 1929.  
(SEAL) Charles E. Baughman,  
Commissioner of Market and Ware-  
houses and Ex-Officio State Superin-  
tendent of Weights and Measures.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Hamilton,  
druggist at Cox and Forrest, left Tues-  
day for Abilene for a weeks vacation.

Miss Mattie Hickman of Waco, is  
in the city visiting relatives.

## A FRIEND OF THE HOME PAPER

Mr. Nick Messemer, of Mexia, who  
has been on the Recorder's subscrip-  
tion list since the year 1, was in the  
city Wednesday and paid us a pleas-  
ant visit.—Fairfield Recorder.

Nick Messemer is a friend and  
patron of the home paper. He has a  
farm in Freestone county and lives in  
Mexia, and he subscribes for and reads

the papers of both counties. He has  
been a "paid in advance" subscriber  
of the News for 10, these many years,  
even when he temporarily lived in  
Dallas for several years. Such friends  
are the life of a paper, and are always  
appreciated.

Scott Reed, County Attorney of  
Groesbeck, was in town Friday.

The News is glad to report that Mrs.  
J. B. Watson of Groesbeck, wife of  
County Auditor, who has recently un-  
dergone an operation is doing fine.

Greenville—Greenville has installed  
an automatic electric traffic signal  
system at business street intersections.  
It will relieve several traffic police-  
men for other work.

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## Dempsey Good Sport, Says McAuliffe.

By HENRY L. FARRELL  
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Jack McAuliffe, the genial lightweight and the only champion who ever retired undefeated from the ring, has an idea that Jack Dempsey may yet come into the popularity that up to the time of the present champion has always come as a heritage to heavyweight title holders.

Dempsey, as is well known, is not a hero in the public eye for reasons that are hard to explain. It might be going too far to say that Dempsey is the most unpopular champion on the long list, because Jack Johnson held even a lower place in the estimation of the public.

Johnson brought disfavor upon himself by his conduct after he had won the championship from Jim Jeffries, but Dempsey has done nothing since he won the title from Jess Willard to bring discredit upon himself, or on the game that has been so good to him.

Dempsey's war record got him in bad with the public and while most everyone has forgotten there was such a thing as a big war, the impression still lingers that Dempsey didn't do something when he had the chance.

Friends of the champion and those who are broad-minded enough to go back to the days leading up to the war, know that Dempsey was largely the victim of circumstances and poor advice.

McAuliffe believes that a fight with Louis Firpo, the South American giant, will do much to win for Dempsey the public esteem that he deserves. Until the time that Dempsey is accepted as a national representative against a foreigner, he will not have the opportunity to get himself back into favor, McAuliffe believes.

"Carpenter was the first foreign fighter to be cheered over an American and that can be explained," McAuliffe says. "The war records of the two fighters was the big issue there and the fight was staged at a time when the hardships of the war was rather a fresh memory in the eyes of the public.

"John L. Sullivan gained his greatest popularity when he fought Mitchell, the sentiment being 'our' champion against a foreigner. When Dempsey meets Firpo, unless the animosity toward Dempsey is too deep rooted to be pulled out the American public will rally the same way behind the champion.

"Indications of this were shown in the Firpo-Willard fight when the crowd arose spontaneously and yelled for Willard to win when he rallied and seemed to have a chance. The senti-

## Valley Cotton Not As Good As First Reported

Rev. W. B. Andrews and wife, and their two daughters, Misses Charlotte and Dorothy, returned Friday from the Lower Rio Grande Valley where they have been the past two weeks. They made the trip by auto and report a most delightful outing. They spent the time at Pharr McAllen and Mission, and one day in Mexico.

Speaking of the cotton crop of the Magic Valley, Mr. Andrews stated that the reports were somewhat exaggerated as to the yield. A larger acreage than usual was planted and six weeks ago the indications were that the yield would be a bale to two bales per acre, but the boll weevil, leaf worm and other destructive agencies had done great damage.

A few fields are making a half bale per acre, but most fields are making much less than that. He says the lot dry weather is causing rapid deterioration of the cotton all along the way from the valley to Mexia. He thinks if the statisticians are depending upon South Texas to supply its usual quota of the so-called 4,000,000 bale crop for Texas they will be mistaken.

Mr. Andrews says he is delighted with the progress the church has made in the Valley the past ten years. Protestantism predominates, with the Methodist and Baptist leading.

### FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor, Rev. W. B. Andrews, has returned from his vacation and will preach at 11:00 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. "Come, let us worship the Lord our Maker." Let no one who is able to get to the church fail to worship God in his sanctuary.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Strangers are most cordially invited to worship with the First Methodist church. Linger at the close of the service and get acquainted.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH SERVICES

Main and Bonham

Bible school at 9:45. If you are not a member of a Sunday school we would be glad to have you visit us.

Worship and preaching at 11:00

Sermon theme, "The Mission of John the Baptist."

Christian Endeavor at 7:15 and preaching services at 8:15 p. m. Subject for the evening message: "In God we (should) trust."

You are invited to attend all these services.

G. T. Reaves, Minister.

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the K. of P. hall. Opposite Postoffice.

Subject: "Love." Golden text: 1 John 4:7. Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God and knoweth God.

Testimonial meeting is on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Sunday school is at 10 o'clock.

### NOTICE

Will the folks who want me to renovate their mattresses please call the rural operator and call by number 9016F11 and you will get Radley's Mattress Factory. 3115

Mineral Wells.—Extensions of gathering lines and installation of compressors for adding to the supply of natural gas are being made by the Lone Star Gas company in Eastland and Stephens and Young counties. The investment will be about a million and a quarter dollars.

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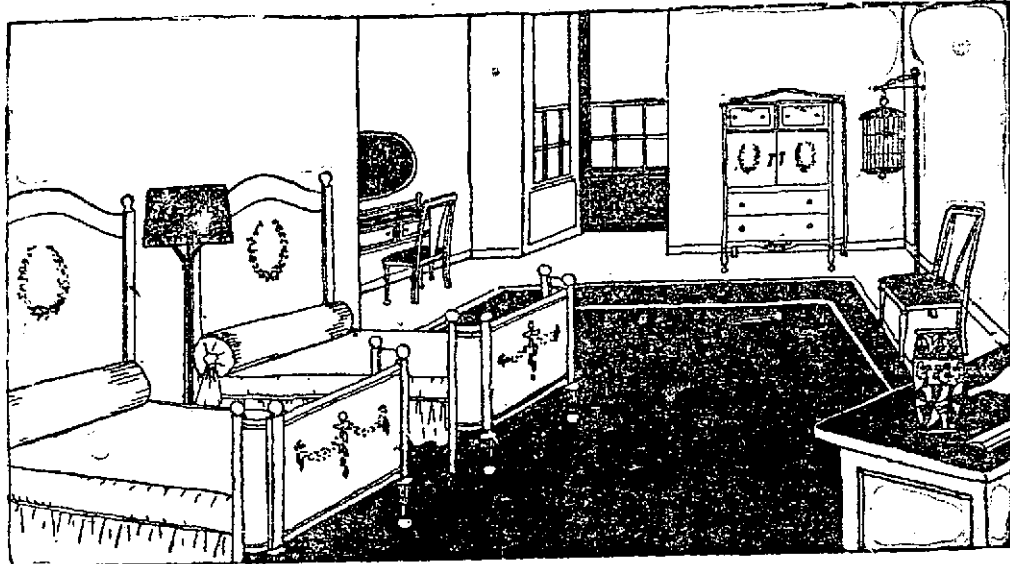
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# Homecoming Of Oil Men Planned In Tulsa October 8th to 14th, 1923.

Tulsa, Okla., Aug. 4.—"The Homecoming of the Oil Industry," which will be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma, October 8 to 14, as a part of the International Petroleum Exposition and Congress, promises to be the greatest reunion of any group of people ever staged, according to enthusiastic followers of the oil industry. They will flock to Tulsa from every state in the union—even the non-oil producing states are the homes of retired oil men who will be roused into activity by promises of seeing the gang again—from every nation in the world where oil is produced, of every age, from the oldest pioneer to the youngest roystering, and from every walk of life. But no matter how far they have come, nor how different their station may be, they hold a feeling for each other which cannot be described other than as brotherly.

Everyone who has ever followed the oil game has come under this spell, the bond which binds oil men together everywhere. Common interests have held them common successes and failures, and, strongest of all, the ties of traditions and mutual friendships. They will come to the reunion, renew their friendships that none of them have forgotten, form new acquaintances that will mean much to them in the oil world, and while enlarging and strengthening their own ties among the fellows, they are assisting in the greater centralization and consolidation of the industry, which is the hope and ambition of every oil man.

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Second afternoon: "The High Mission of Woman."  
A discussion of the noble mission of woman from the beginning of history, and her enlarged opportunities of today. Every woman should attend the Chautauqua this afternoon, and each member of the woman's clubs, the missionary societies of the churches, and all educational and literary societies will find something in this lecture worth her while.  
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AROUSING NIGHT THEMES  
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## SHOULD HAVE SPENT THEM BEFORE WAR

By GUS OEHM.  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)  
BERLIN—Germany has developed a new indoor sport—figuring out what wonderful things one could buy before the war with the same amount of marks one lays out for trivialities today.  
For instance when the German today pays out 57,000 marks to have his suit pressed he has a lot of fun figuring out that since he could buy a complete suit before the war for 70 marks, the 57,000 marks which he spends for cleaning would have brought him 814 new suits in the olden days.

The cost of a bad pencil today equals pre-war cost of the furnishing a complete living room, bed room with two beds and well equipped kitchen. The price of a little box of matches today equals the pre-war price of ten pairs of good shoes. A cigarette equals the price of a good piano, and the single individual little match with which a German lights his cigar costs as much today in paper marks as a pre-war pound of meat and a pound of butter.  
Everytime a German eats a cherry he does so with the realization that "there goes a 50-mark note."  
And as for strawberries, he can't even think of the 150 marks each one sets him back.  
Every puff of a cigarette, he figures,

## Cockroach in Jelly Causes Shake Up In El Paso Hospital.

EL PASO, Texas, August 4.—Because F. L. de von Dey, handy man around the county hospital here agreed with one of the inmates that there was a cockroach in the jelly, he was "bawled out" by the nurses, he says, and as a consequence he's going to quit.

The 70 year old caretaker says he has been "mistreated."  
"I was told not to criticize the patients' food and not to talk to tubercular patients," says von Dey.  
He told of once having averted an explosion at the hospital when he shut off the steam in the boiler of the hospital which a new man had permitted to go over the safety limit. He wasn't even thanked for this act, von Dey declared.  
Mrs. F. B. Cameron, chief of the

nurses tells her side of the case, however. She charges von Dey with being pro-German and lazy.

"He curses around the women," she asserted. "I've pleaded for him to be retained on account of pity. Now he talks like that."

## Negroes Get The Wooden S-Houses

The wooden school house in front of the Sumpter street grammar school building is being moved to the negro section in the eastern part of town, known as "30-30." The large L-shaped building had to be cut in two in order to move it, and with that one section is ninety feet long, while the other is fifty-seven feet long.

This will remove the obstruction in front of the brick building and will at the same time give the negroes in the eastern part of the city a good school building, something they have not had. One of the small cottages on the McKinney street campus will also be removed.

removed and installed at the negro school in the western part of the city. Duncan and Jones moving company has the job, which means that it will be well done, because they can move anything except a mountain.

## SHOT INNOCENT BY-STANDER

FORT WORTH, Texas, August 4.—When a wild steer which broke loose at the stockyards here, determined to make it to West Texas in short order, pedestrians fled over fences and shinned up telephone poles. Police who volunteered as torreadors were unable to coax the animal back in the pen so Patrolman Rainwater shot the steer. He also shot M. V. Fondrew, one of the interested spectators, in the ankle.

## BET THEY WERE NOT NEGROES

DALLAS, Texas, August 4.—Raiding officers interrupted a crap game and booze party in the Masonic cemetery here. Hootch was being dispensed from behind tombstones and on graves, it was said.

## CONVALESCENTS IN COTTAGE

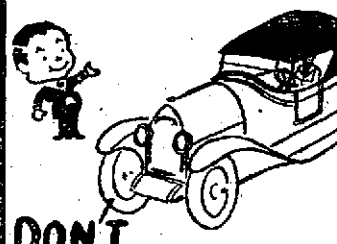
BRECKENRIDGE, Texas, August 4.—A number of convalescent patients at the Emergency hospital here have been quartered in a residence building in a lot adjacent to the hospital. This was done to make room for a large number of other patients seeking admittance during the past few days.

## MAKE THEM SHOW THE FISH

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, August 4.—Winner of the consolation prize to be awarded by the Tarpon club here will receive a gold mounted miniature of Abraham Lincoln.  
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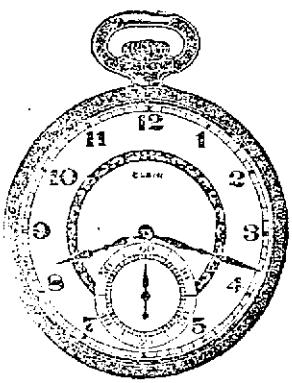
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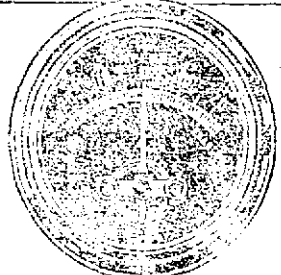
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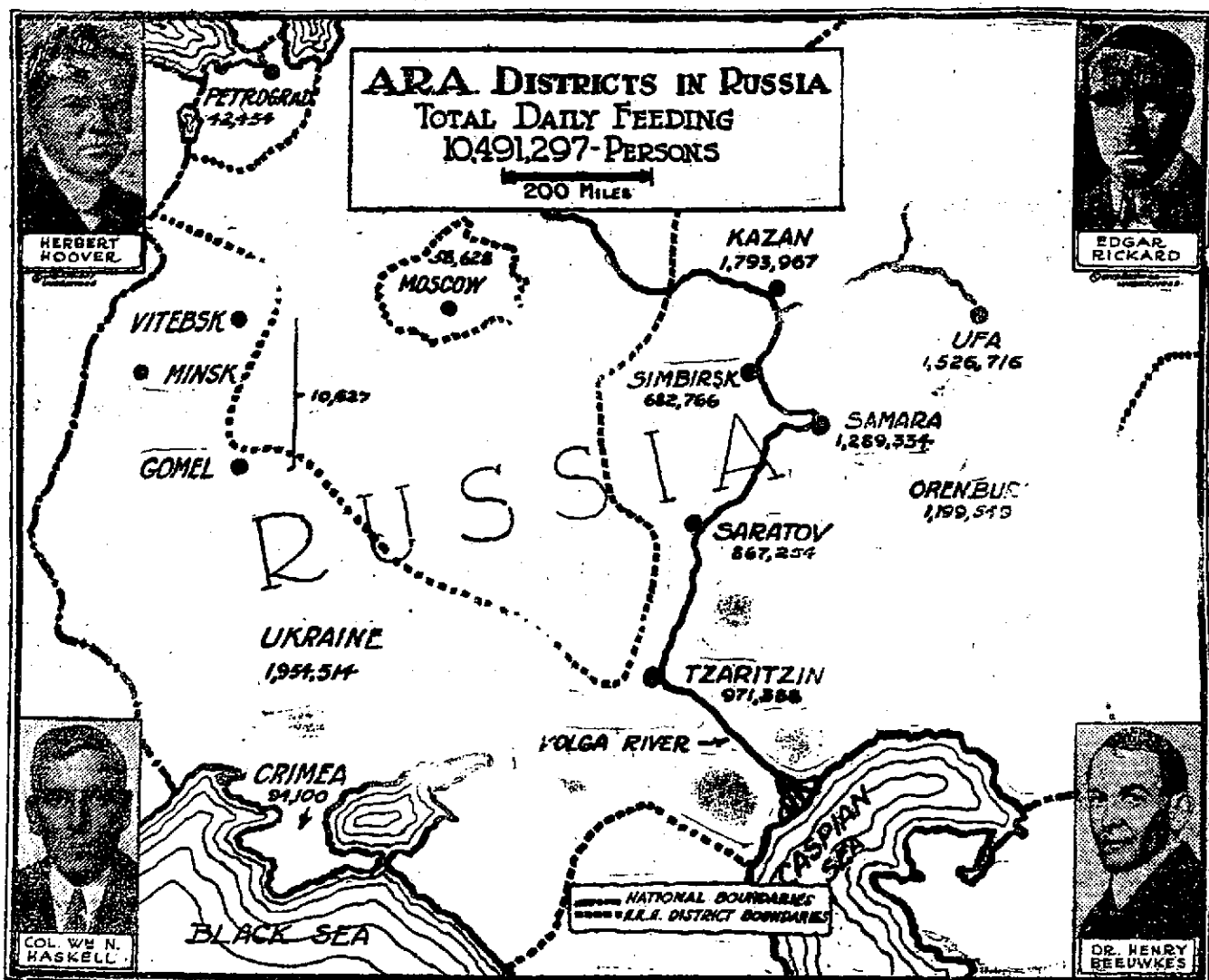
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# Two Hundred Americans Return Victorious From War On Russian Famine and Pestilence



By W. HOWARD RAMSEY

The American Relief Administration is withdrawing from Russia. The famine is over. Colonel Haskell and the little group of Americans who were working with him are returning to America. They come by ones and twos, unheralded and unclaimed, as quietly as they went, yet, if America realized their accomplishments, flags would be flying, bands blaring forth a welcome, and delegations of the most prominent citizens would be waiting at the pier to cheer their homecoming.

And being plain, unassuming Americans, unaccustomed to ceremony and heroics, the relief workers would be tremendously embarrassed by the ovation, and inquire quite anxiously, "What's the big idea? What's all this fuss about?"

For almost two years now a scant two hundred Americans, on a battle line far longer than the western front, have been fighting a foe more pitiless than any the allied armies faced. From the Baltic to the Caspian Sea, from the Crimea to the Ukraine, they have conquered the famine, saved more lives than were lost in the World War, healed a score of suffering people of the diseases which threatened to sweep the whole of Europe, but the benedictions of a great, but stricken, nation, achieved the world's greatest adventure in humanity.

And because it was an adventure in which all America shared, it is something that its accomplishment should not pass unnoticed, that the people by whose generosity the great feat of saving lives was fitted out, the citizens whose grain filled their bins, the vast body of taxpayers, the men whose contributions ran into five or six figures, as well as those whose means enabled them to give only less, should know their gifts were not given in vain.

One of the returning workers cannot tell the whole story. He may give interesting details. "I was at Kazan when the corn arrived. The train came from distant villages, loaded with sacks. The men were back on their feet. They had no horses. The ice in the river was breaking up. The roads were terrible. Some died before coming on the trip."

"I was in Odessa when the famine was at its height. There were bodies in the streets. People were dying so fast they could not be buried. The hospital basements were packed with dead." Or, "I was at Dnepropetrovsk when the starved corpses were being hauled to the cemetery for burial. They were frozen, and the dogs were waiting to tear at the common graves."

But their stories will all have about the same ending. "We opened up our kitchens, got the supplies to the villages. My district fed so many hundred thousand children, issued ration cards to so many hundred thousand adults, inoculated so many hundred thousand, restocked the hospitals, provided food for the patients, cleaned up the town. The starvation was checked. The movement of the refugees ended. Cholera disappeared. Typhus declined. There are looking much better now."

The men who were at the headquarters in Moscow, keeping the accounts, directing the movement of the food and the medical supplies, checking and correlating the reports, fighting the battles for transportation for adequate warehouses, for light cars and locomotives, for barges and sanitary trains, will tell a different story. It will not

## America's Gift to Russia Included, in Part:

The feeding of children to the number of ..... 4,173,339  
And adults to the number of ..... 6,317,958  
Or a total, at the peak of operations, of ..... 10,491,297 Persons  
Food enough for ..... 1,750,000,000 Meals  
The operation of ..... 21,435 Kitchens  
The distribution of clothing to ..... 333,125 Individuals  
The distribution of medical supplies valued at ..... \$7,885,000  
To hospitals and institutions numbering ..... 16,400  
With a daily capacity of ..... 1,039,000 Persons  
The performance of ..... 6,395,538 Inoculations  
And ..... 1,304,401 Vaccinations  
Shipment of food and seed grain amounting to ..... 912,121 Tons  
And medical supplies to the amount of ..... 15,000,000 Pounds  
Shipped in ..... 237 Ships

be so vivid as to detail but it will be more comprehensive.

Instead of telling of one city or one district with its hundreds of thousands fed, they will talk of the extent of the operation in terms of millions. They will illustrate the freight movement from the North and Southern ports to the heart of the famine area by graphic charts they have prepared. They will tell how many million cars of milk were ordered, how many consumed and the use that was made of the empty cans and cases, of how many thousands of kitchens were opened and how the rationing was allocated months in advance, so that the children who came to the kitchen could be certain a meal would be waiting there.

And down on lower Broadway, toward the end of Manhattan Island, in one of the skyscrapers there are men who could tell still another story. They would speak of vast grain purchases, of the chartering of hundreds of ships, of the mobilization of funds, of crop estimates and international negotiations, of a detailed accounting system, of expert auditing. They would tell of a business administration of entrusted funds under the direction of Edgar Rickard, which enabled the chairman of the American Relief Administration, Herbert Hoover, to report to the President of the United States: "There has not been a deduction of one penny for administrative purposes either from the funds provided by Congress or from public charity in the United States."

But by whichever group the story is told, it is one of which America may well be proud. In July, 1921, Maxim Gorky and Patriarch Tikhon appealed to the whole world to save the starving population of the Volga Valley. The very day that appeal was published Herbert Hoover telegraphed to Gorky the conditions under which the A. R. A. could extend its relief. Within a month Colonel William N. Haskell was appointed director of the A. R. A. in Russia and food ships were on their way. America was the first country to respond. It offered to feed a million. It was feeding more than ten times that number day in and day out before the first twelvemonth had passed.

It transported to Russia and distributed there close to a million tons of grain and other foodstuffs. A fleet of 237 ships plied its way across the Atlantic, through the Mediterranean, Baltic and Black seas, and under the direction of only 200 Americans an army of 125,000 Russians labored, unloading, warehousing, hauling, weighing, cooking and serving that food. It was food enough for one billion seven hundred and fifty million meals. Surely never before has one nation set so great a feast for a famished neighbor!

Is it any wonder that the peasants of one war-devastated and famine-stricken village, having no gold and no bronze available, painstakingly tearing from the log walls of their cottages leaden bullets and cast a medal for the American who brought them the food, inscribing it, "I was an

hungred, and ye gave me meat?" They might have quoted further, "Naked and ye clothed me," for the American Relief Administration purchased, and distributed in Russia, close to \$1,450,000 worth of clothing, principally among the children, many of whom were so scantily clad that they could not decently come to the public kitchens for their daily meal. In addition to this it delivered in Russia more than 400 tons of clothing collected in the United States by other organizations, to say nothing of vast quantities of bedding, hospital garments and complete layettes.

The pious Russian villagers might well have completed the text, "I was sick and ye visited me," for never was there a sicker nation than Russia when the A. R. A. arrived. Typhus, cholera, recurrent fever, smallpox, typhoid—all were raging in the starvation districts and taking a tremendous toll of life among the people whose resistance was weakened by famine. Moreover the movement of refugees was rapidly carrying these epidemics into every part of the country, and even across the borders into the neighboring states, until Europe was threatened with a pandemic of immeasurable severity. And the A. R. A. in its visit of mercy came not, like Job's comforters, empty-handed.

Rather it brought \$7,885,000 worth of medicines and other sick room necessities. It brought a score or more physicians, skilled epidemiologists; it brought the largest quantities of serums, vaccines and other disease preventives ever ordered at one time. It opened free dispensary clinics, ambulatories, hospitals. It cleaned up entire cities; it purified water supplies; it bathed, deloused, purged, inoculated, vaccinated rich and poor, old and young, not by tens or tens of thousands, but literally by millions—almost by tens of millions. So that instead of there being 277,701 cases of typhus in Russia as there were in March, 1922, March, 1923, saw only 6,321 cases. Relapsing fever has been eliminated in the same proportion and the incidence of cholera is negligible as compared with last year's figures.

It takes more than figures to tell the story. When Dr. Henry Beeuwkes, as chief of the Medical Division, writes truthfully that since going into Russia, the American Relief Administration has supplied upwards of 16,000 hospitals and other institutions having a constant capacity of 1,039,000 persons, the task may appear to have been a monumental one. When one glances at the map of Russia and finds that these institutions were scattered over an area ill-supplied with railroads and that some were separated from Moscow, the base of supply, by more than a thousand miles, one's wonder grows.

But no one who has not stood inside a Russian hospital, as it was in the days of the great famine, before the relief came, can realize the full measure of America's achievement. Everything was lacking. Beds were

often merely planks supported on wooden horses. Blankets were scarce, sheets were missing. Operations were performed with bare hands, in unheated operating rooms, without anesthetics, and only too often without any hope of asepsis. Wounds were dressed with newspaper, or wrapped in rags from the patient's own all too scanty clothing. Water supplies were polluted, plumbing was beyond use and almost beyond repair. Drug rooms were empty of the simplest and most essential remedies. The food was unspeakably poor, utterly unfit for sick persons and woefully inadequate in amount. Men and women crawled to the hospitals to die, rather than to be made whole, and not a few succumbed in front of institutions that had no room for another patient.

America has wrought a transformation here. It is useless to pile up the figures, but a few may be significant. The A. R. A. distributed to these institutions a million and a half pounds of soap. Neo-salvarsan, which proved a perfect specific for relapsing fever, was supplied to the extent of 700,000 ampules. The quinine alone, some thirty tons of it, was valued at more than half a million dollars, but no one can estimate what it was really worth to a country whose most prevalent disease is malaria. And so the list runs, through anesthetics, aspirin, bismuth, chloroform, digests, ether, forceps, clear down to the best known items of the pharmacopoeia and most of those to be found in a catalogue of surgical instruments and hospital supplies. More than 2,000 different commodities in all, and in such quantities that the 125,000 packages sent on sixty-nine different ships, weighed fifteen million pounds. In distributing this medical aid the American Relief Administration acted as the agent of the United States Government and the American Red Cross. The surplus Army medical supplies were turned over to the A. R. A. by act of Congress and the Red Cross supplemented the Army stocks valued at \$4,000,000 by its own contribution of supplies to the amount of \$3,685,000, while the entire cost of transportation and handling was covered by an individual donation of \$267,400 from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial.

Altogether America's great adventure in humanity has cost her about \$62,000,000. Everyone in America has shared in the beneficence. The United States Government appropriated, in addition to the medical supplies, some \$20,000,000 for corn and seed grain. The Jews of America, through the American Joint Distribution Committee, gave \$5,000,000; Catholics, Quakers, Methodists, Baptists, Lutherans, Adventists, and other Christian denominations, through their respective organizations, swelled the total. But the distribution was made under the united supervision of the American Relief Administration. It was made in a characteristically American fashion, without regard to race, sect, party or creed. It was America's gift to the Russian people.

An expensive present? Well, it may have been. It cost more than the mere millions. Two of the Americans who went to Russia are not coming home. One died from typhus and the other dropped from sight. Two lives and \$62,000,000 dollars—almost as much as it costs the United States to maintain its navy for two months in time of peace—say ten million saved from death by starvation and half that number from death by disease—the friendship and gratitude of a great people won and held—perhaps a nation saved.

It almost seems as if the adventure had been worth while.

## Repaper Dining Room and Stop Divorce.



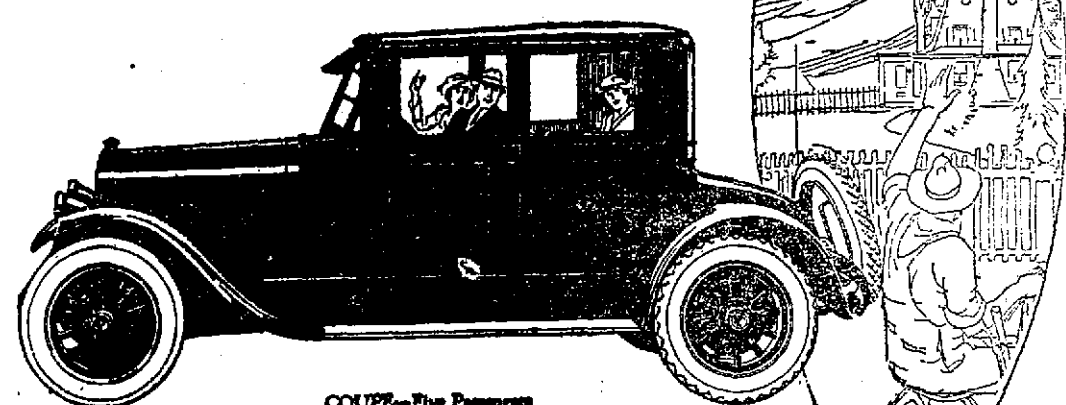
"Over half the divorces in the United States are caused by inharmonious color combinations in the dining room," declared Miss Agnes McKenna, nationally known art expert, of Chicago, speaking at a furniture convention in San Francisco. Miss McKenna has made a life study of colors and their effects on personalities. She says it is her ambition to untwist the rainbow and bring down color in harmonious combinations, so that every home will have a perfect setting.

## SECRETARY BAKER'S BROTHER HELD IN RUM CASE.



When the fashionable Tamaqua Yacht Club, of Sheephead Bay, New York, got ready for its annual shirtwaist dance, Julian D. Baker, brother of former Secretary of War Newton D. Baker, thought it would be a fine and fancy idea to take his cruiser yacht Modesty out to the ham field and get a few cases of "likker" for his fellow club members. The Coast Guard cutter Manhattan thought otherwise and seized the craft, confiscated six cases of wet goods and arrested Baker. Since the arrest war made outside the 12-mile limit, Baker was released when he told his story, but the "likker" was seized, and he had to give a bond of \$500 to get his boat back. The shirtwaist dance was a remarkably dry affair.

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## Local News

- Oscar Wiley of Jewett, is in the city.
- Sam Browder returned Friday from Dallas.
- Phil Smith of Dallas, spent the week end in Mexia.
- L. J. DuPont of Martin, was in the city Thursday.
- Mrs. J. L. Metcalf is spending a few days in Dallas.
- Luke Ballard of Waco, was in the city Thursday.
- H. T. Pince of Corsicana was in the city Thursday.
- W. K. Boyd was in Groesbeck Friday on business.
- A. T. Brady of Fort Worth is in the city on business.
- Clarence M. Redfield of Waco, was in the city Friday.
- Misses Marie and Betty Patton, were in Dallas Thursday.
- Miss Dilling Noble of Teague is moving to Waco to live.
- Clyde Rhodes of Cookridge, was a business visitor in the city Friday.
- Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Brannon are leaving the first of the week for Iowa.
- Conrad Hancock and Miss Emma Vistal were married Wednesday at Mexia.
- Miss Pearl Spruiell, who has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Fred Karner, Sr.
- Miss Alice Simmonds of Temple, is visiting in the home of her uncle, B. B. Simmonds.
- visiting her sister Eva Hampton for a few days.
- Mr. and Mrs. Porter Germany left Saturday for Colorado for a months vacation.
- Herbert Jacobs has returned from Corsicana, where he has been for several days.
- Miss Elizabeth McDonald of Bonis is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Fred Karner, Sr.
- Ora May Hampton of Coeidge is



OLD LISLE BANK GIVES WAY TO COTTON SAVINGS ACCOUNT



CHICAGO.—Cotton stockings, cool, comfortable and economical, are the foundation of a club formed by a group of young girls bent on saving the money usually spent on silk stockings, to be spent on holiday pleasures during their vacations.

The Cotton Stocking Club was organized by Miss Nancy Nelson, 1019 N. Massachusetts avenue; Miss Helen Waywood, 1818 N. Kedvale avenue; Miss Muriel Williams, 2542 W. Harrison street, and Miss Signe Olson, 1827 N. Ridgeway avenue.

The difference in cost between cotton and silk stockings for a summer's supply will rent a canoe for the term of a vacation; it will hire a saddle horse a good many times; it will do something about golf clubs and tennis racquets; and buy

an orange sweater. Since the cotton stockings look better with summer sports clothes than ordinary silk stockings, there is no sacrifice involved. The girls of the club wear the shaped in the weaving hose that do not sag at the ankles and which, having no seam at the back never rip suddenly at embarrassing moments far from needle and thread.

Requirements for membership are vows made in the dark of the moon that the member will not wear anything but cotton stockings from the day she joins the club until her vacation is over. Those who have been living up to this vow for several weeks are certain that never will they discard the cotton hose.

"You know," said Miss Nelson,

the leader of the group, "there are other things to save money for besides vacations and we make our organization permanent. Cotton stockings are very cool and light, and anyone can see that they are very good looking. All Chicago girls who work are eligible for membership and members are coming in as fast as they can be registered. I am sure other cities and towns will follow when the girls discover how much money we save, how comfortable we are, and how trim and pretty our ankles look."

RICH SUITOR SLAIN FOR ANNOYING HER.



Miss Jane Remington, beautiful amateur actress, of Morris, Ill., complained to the police there that Blaine Beach, a wealthy Joliet merchant, with whom she had been friendly, but from whom she had become estranged, was annoying her with his attentions. When he appeared near her home at night recently a deputy sheriff was sent to investigate. The officer thought Beach reached for a revolver and shot him to death.

Texas Highways In Fair Shape

DALLAS, Aug. 4.—Highways in Texas are generally fair to good, according to reports for the week from all parts of the state.

From Dallas to Texarkana, the Bankhead highway is reported in good condition except for a short stretch of freshly gravelled road. The Dixie overland highway to Shreveport is "fair to very good." Highway No. 6 to Waco is good with a short detour which is also in good condition.

From Waco to Houston, Highway No. 2 is fair to good with some rough stretches and sandy places, but all easily passable.

With the exception of some rough places around San Marcos, the highway from Waco to San Antonio is in "fair to good" condition.

The Colorado Gulf highway from Dallas to Denver is reported fair with rough stretches around Henrietta.

Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona roads are reported fair.

Miss Clara Woodward of Fort Worth, is the guest of Miss Ouida Wildemna for several days.

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mayes returned from Dallas Monday.

W. A. Jackson and Field Jackson motored over from Teague Friday.

Sheriff Popjoy was in Mexia and Coolidge on business this past week.

Welch Sewell and Max Walters were business visitors in Corsicana Saturday.

Miss B. Daniels left Friday for Austin for the week-end to visit relatives and friends.

Miss Irene Henry returned from Oklahoma, where she has been for several days.

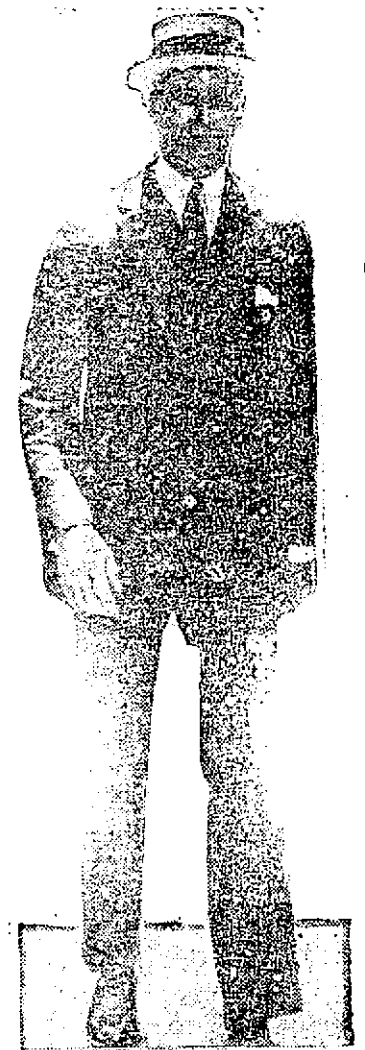
Mrs. John Montgomery of Houston is visiting in the home of W. J. Robinson and family.

Frank Bolton returned Friday from Little Rock, Ark., where he attended the funeral of his father.

Mrs. A. R. Etchison returned Thursday from Hemphill, where she has been on a visit with her parents.

**JACKSON STAGE LINE**  
Car leaves Bennets Drug store for Corsicana at 8 a. m.  
Leaves Commercial Hotel, Corsicana, 6 p. m. Daily except Sunday.  
**LOCAL TRIPS**  
Phone 436 and 222, Mexia.

Vard Indicted Again in Peters Killing



Walter S. Ward.

Walter S. Ward, son of a multi-millionaire New York baker, is shown on his way to the courthouse in White Plains, N. Y., to surrender to a second indictment charging him with murder in the first degree for killing Clarence Peters, a shiftless former United States sailor. Ward was indicted once before, but the indictment was dropped without trial. The charges were caused forced Governor's order to order Attorney General to prosecute and Supreme Court Justice Ward to call a second Grand Jury, which indicted the young millionaire. The real story of the killing has never been told, Ward having defended himself with delectable skill before when the latter trial in New York.

Steve W. Ward and Ed Parker returned Friday from Oklahoma, where they enjoyed a very pleasant week. Returning they spent Thursday night in Navasota. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Parker and family also returned Friday.

Mrs. J. Stanford Smith, Mrs. A. T. Smith and Mrs. J. L. Smith, left Thursday afternoon for Colorado. They will be joined in Fort Worth by Mrs. Paul Cowburn and son, Fort Smith and Miss Jean Jean left Saturday in the car and home to reach their destination in three to four days.

J. M. H. and Mrs. H. H. H. and E. H. H. are spending much of their time in Corsicana are home for the week end.

LIVED SISTERS SO WELL, HE MARRIED TWO.



E. O. Davis and Mrs. Davis No. 1 Below Mrs. Davis No. 2.

E. O. Davis, of Los Angeles, is under arrest there on a charge of bigamy, it being alleged it like the two Stecklin sisters, Anna and Theresa so well, he married both.

NOTICE!

On account of the scarcity of water, from and after Sunday, August 5, 1923, the

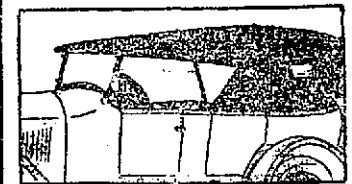
**Swimming Pool AND BATH HOUSE AT THE REUNION GROUNDS**

**Will Be Closed** for an indefinite period of time.

By order of the Executive Committee, Humphreys Oil Company.

J. A. ELKINS, Vice President.

Auto Tops and Repairs



THE TOP IS Important

General automobile repairs. The purchaser of a fine well fit top invites the most exacting examination of the many details which must enter into complete satisfaction and a money back guarantee.

All Work Guaranteed Compare our work, prices and samples with others.

**Avara Garage and Top. Co.**

204 E. Main St. Next door to Humphreys Building.

—Miss Rosa Feiz is now a Deputy County Clerk and has her office at our bank where she is prepared to accept papers for record in Limestone County and to issue MARRIAGE LICENSE IMMEDIATELY.

**PRENDERGAST-SMITH NATIONAL BANK** of Mexia

NATIONAL THEATRE Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

ADOLPH ZUKOR PRESENTS

**"ONLY 38"**

Behind here were twenty years of suppressed youth. Then at thirty-eight—the prime of life—she breaks the chains that held happiness a prisoner. And lives the youthful life of her dreams.

—A bright comedy of character, with moments of exquisite tenderness. May McAvoy, Lois Wilson, Elliott Dexter and George Fawcett in splendid characterizations.

From the play by A. E. Thomas Screen play by Clara Beranger

WITH May McAvoy Lois Wilson Elliott Dexter and George Fawcett

A William deMille PRODUCTION A Paramount Picture

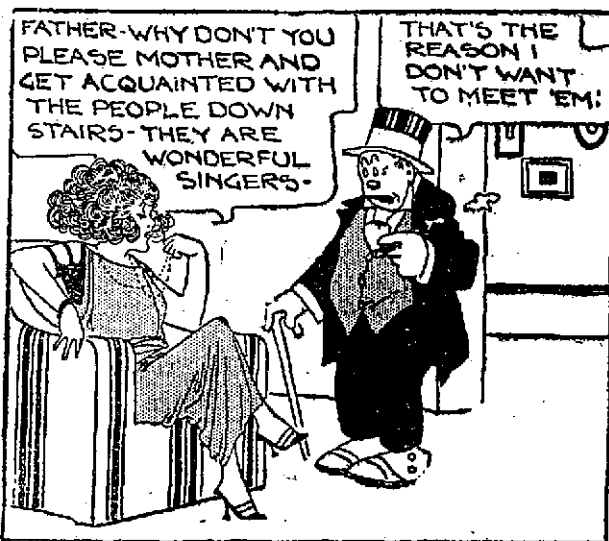


# The Day's Opportunities As Told In The Classified Ads

## BRINGING UP FATHER

Bringing Up Father Appears Daily in The Mexia Daily News  
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By George McManus



## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

CLASSIFIED RATES—One cent a word for each insertion. No single ad taken for less than 25 cents. Everybody reads these little ads, so if you want to buy or sell, or have lost or found any article, here is where you can get good results. No advertisement accepted over the telephone except from those who have a Regular Charge Account.

### HELP WANTED—A

**YOUNG LADY**—Stenographer and bookkeeper desires position. Have completed full course in business college and have had one year's practical experience. Box 109—News. 2A2

### LOST AND FOUND—D

**LOST**—Gold and platinum cuff link. Return to Higdon and McElroy, and receive reward. 3D2

**LOST**—One mule, small bay, one eye, branded on left hip. Please notify W. D. Freeman. Gas office. Phone 23. Reward. 5D2

### WANTED TO BUY—E

**WANTED**—Second hand refrigerator must be reasonable. Call 269-J. 2E2

### FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—F

**WE SELL** and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 10th.

### FOR SALE—J

**I SELL** and haul dirt, fine sandy loam, the dirt for flowers and lawns. See V. R. Means or phone 184W. 26J7

**FOR SALE**—Good milk cow, now fresh. Will sell at a bargain. Apply 722 E. Hopkins St. 3084

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Three room shack with screened in porch. All wired and beaver boarded. With or without furniture. Apply J. R. Black Service Car Stand, or Mexia Compress. 31J3

### HOUSES FOR RENT—K

**FOR SALE**—One De Laval Separator No. 12, good as new, price reasonable. One six barrel galvanized water tank in good condition, cheap. Apply Waco Hotel on Tehuacana pike. 30K3

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Three room shack. Will sell reasonable or trade for good Ford car. Box 101. 212

**FOR RENT**—No. 21-J, five rooms and bath. Phone 271-J, or call at 300 East Sumpter street. 5K4

### ROOMS FURNISHED—L

**FOR RENT**—One room, two blocks North of post office. Suitable for one or two men. 318 N. Sherman. Phone 108-J. Mrs. A. A. Steele. 5L2

**WANTED AT**—Wardrobe exchange fall suits, dresses and hats. Also dress making. Everything dry cleaned and pressed. Furs relined, made over. 218 N. McKinney. Phone 557-J. 29L7

**FOR RENT**—Two or three large comfortable housekeeping rooms, furnished. Water, lights, gas, bath, sewerage, garage. Apply at 600 E. Sumpter. Phone 271J. 31L4

**FOR RENT**—Nice clean, cool, housekeeping apartments, all modern conveniences. Lights, gas and water furnished. Summer rates. Gates Apartments, 834 E. Commerce street. 8L30

**FOR RENT**—Completely furnished, all modern, apartment. Phone 319. 113

**FOR RENT**—One furnished apartment, and 1 unfurnished apartment. Lights, gas and water. Telephone 218, or call at 467 South Kaufman street. 2L2

**FOR RENT**—Furnished and unfurnished apartment. Gas, lights and water. See 401 S. Kaufman. Phone 218. 3L3

**FOR RENT**—A desirable two room apartment. Southeast exposure. Water, lights, gas and phone. Close in. 712 E. Texas. Phone 269-J. 3L3

### MISCELLANEOUS—P

**MATRESS**—Renovating of the better class. Snider Mattress Company 412 South Belknap. Phone 493. 24d7

**Terrill**—Business men of this city are active in efforts to secure natural gas. Some steps toward a pipe line from the East Texas fields are being taken.

### STOP THAT ITCHING

There is a lot of skin trouble among school children this spring. We will sell you a jar of Blue Star on a guarantee for Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Ringworm, Old Sores and Sores on School Children. Will not stain clothing and has a pleasant odor. Mexia Drug Co. (Adv.)

### H. & T. C.

EFFECTIVE 12:01 A. M. JUNE 17th.

North bound—  
845 From cut-off ..... 1:47 p. m.  
15 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 3:44 p. m.  
31 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 12:50 p. m.  
37 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 5:14 a. m.  
17 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 4:35 a. m.  
10 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 3:55 a. m.  
South bound—  
846 To cut-off ..... 7:00 a. m.  
16 Houston San Antonio ..... 11:45 a. m.  
32 From Dallas ..... 10:08 a. m.  
38 Austin San Antonio ..... 12:21 a. m.  
18 Houston San Antonio ..... 1:37 a. m.  
20 Houston San Antonio ..... 12:16 a. m.  
T. & B. V.  
No. 8—3:25 p. m.  
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

**PALMER'S UNIVERSITY ORCHESTRA.**  
Clouds may come and clouds may go, but real sunshine, joyous times are in store for the young folks, from tots to teens, as well as for grown-ups, when Ralph Palmer's University Orchestra steps on the platform on the afternoon and evening of the first day of the first day of the Radcliffe Chautauqua.

"They are a sure cure for 'the blues' and chase dull care a-flyin' in a program of real music, tuneful music, lively—spirited music."  
Their repertoire both afternoon and evening sparkles with fun and musical numbers in the lighter vein, and yet it is graced with just enough of those deeper and truer melodies that make an instant and direct appeal to mind and heart.  
The technique and phrasing of this company has elicited much praise from the most conservative critics, and their versatility is such that their work commands the admiration of every one.  
The group are expert musicians on violins, banjo, piano, drums and bells, and their program is augmented with splendid baritone solos by Walter Krotzer.

**The Hendrys.**  
The entertainment and musical feature on the afternoon and evening of the third day of the Radcliffe Chautauqua will be provided by the Hendrys.

Mr. Hendry not only excels as an impersonator, but also is a musician of marked ability. His impersonations are so masterly that what the audience sees and hears is not a single artist, but rather an entire group. He makes his characters live. His portrayals are enhanced in fascination by his make-up and costumes. His mimicry is brimful of fun and merriment, and enables him to carry the impression that he is not one artist, but a company. So highly appreciated are his abilities that he was engaged two successive years by the U. S. Government to give concerts in the Panama Canal Zone.

He is charmingly supported by Mrs. Hendry in the musical numbers.

**RAY MORTON HARDY, LECTURER.**

Ray Morton Hardy, of Michigan, has qualified pre-eminently for the lecture platform. In the field of Community and Social Efficiency, he stands as an authority. Scores of communities testify that his messages have been worth a hundred times their cost, and he has been asked to fill return engagements as high as five times within two years. It is altogether proper, therefore, that Ray Morton Hardy should be selected to be the first speaker of the Radcliffe Chautauqua which is soon to be given here. His career of seven years as an educator and eight years in the ministry has been brilliant and fruitful. In the opening lecture he will discuss the subject "THE CAN WHO THINKS HE CAN," and at night will deal with "THE RED BURTON."

Mr. Hardy has studied his subjects

scientifically and logically. His speech is polished, concise and simple. His dignity and culture with his radiant personality combine to make him a prince among American lecturers. Whoever misses these two lectures by Mr. Hardy will miss two of the most masterly, scholarly and inspirational discussions of vital topics that have ever been given in this community.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Limestone County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon G. F. Lindsey by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 77th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 77th Judicial District, to appear at a regular term of the Justice's Court of Precinct No. 4, Limestone County, Texas, to be held at the town of Mexia, in said Limestone County, on the 11th day of September, 1923, and then there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 19th day of July, 1923, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 726, wherein W. D. Pittman, a resident of Limestone County, Texas, is plaintiff and G. F. Lindsey, a non-resident of the State of Texas, is defendant, plaintiff's demand being for the sum of \$137.55, due upon claim for breach of warranty. Plaintiff avers that for a valuable consideration defendant, on the 30th day of May, A. D. 1922, conveyed to him, by deed of said date, a certain lot or parcel of land, situated in the town of Mexia, Limestone county, Texas, being Lot No. 7, in Block No. 23, of said town, and by said deed of conveyance defendant bound himself, his heirs, executors and administrators to warrant and forever defend, all and singular, the said premises unto this plaintiff, his heirs, and assigns, against every person whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof. That after purchasing said land and after defendant had so bound himself, plaintiff discovered for the first time that said land was incumbered with a lien for taxes due the State of Texas, and the county of Limestone in the sum of \$75.05, including taxes, penalties and interest, and with a lien for taxes due the city of Mexia, a municipal corporation, in the sum of \$37.50, and with a lien for taxes due the independent school district of Mexia in the sum of \$25.00, aggregating the sum of \$137.55, which sums plaintiff was compelled to pay, to prevent the enforcement of said liens and the loss of his said land, which plaintiff paid on the 4th day of June, A. D. 1923, to his damage in the sum of \$137.55; that by reason of the premises defendant became liable and promised to pay plaintiff the said aggregate sum of money, which defendant has failed and refused and still fails and refuses to do. Plaintiff prays judgment for his damages, with interest thereon from the 4th day of June, A. D. 1923, at the rate of 6% per annum, for costs of suit, general and special relief. Plaintiff further alleges that though defendant is a non-resident of the State of Texas, he has effects belonging to him in this state.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid term this writ, with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my signature as Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 4, Limestone County, Texas.  
Given under my official signature, at office in Mexia, Texas, this 26th day of July, 1923.  
O. Kennedy, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 4, Limestone County, Texas. (27-3-10-17)

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS FOR STATE ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION.**

Sealed proposals addressed to Hon. Fountain Kirby, County Judge, for the improvement of certain highways in Limestone county will be received at the office of County Judge at Groesbeck, Texas, until 10 o'clock, A. M. August 6th, 1923, and then publicly opened and read.

Description of work to be done: Construction of 4 miles of Exall Highway from Mexia and extending south. Work consists of constructing an 18 foot macadam base and one and one half inches of hot mix Uvalde Rock Asphalt.

Bids will be received separately for macadam base and Rock Asphalt surfacing or for entire job.

Detailed plans and specifications of the work may be seen for examination, and information may be obtained at the office of J. G. McIntosh, Humphreys building, at Mexia, Texas, and at the office of the State Highway Department, State Capitol Building, Austin, Texas.

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A certified or cashiers check for 5 per cent of bid made payable without recourse to the order of County Judge of Limestone County, must accompany each proposal, as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract and make bond in accordance with requirements of the specifications. The right is reserved by the party of the first part to reject any and all proposals or to waive all technicalities.

Proposals shall be submitted in sealed envelopes and marked, "Bids for the Construction of the Exall Highway in Limestone County."

All bids received will be retained by the Department and will not be returned to the bidders. 22-29-5

### NOTICE OF CHARTER ELECTION

An Ordinance ordering an election in the City of Mexia, Texas, to be held on the 14th day of August, 1923, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Mexia, Texas, for the adoption or rejection of the proposed charter, prepared and framed by the Charter Commission heretofore elected, electing officers under such charter and designating the places at which said election is to be held, and appointing presiding officers thereof and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, on the 14th day of November, 1922, the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, duly enacted an ordinance, submitting to the qualified voters of said city, at an election ordered and held on the 19th day of December, 1922, the question: "Shall a Commission Be Chosen to Frame a New Charter?" and also providing for an election of fifteen members of a charter commission in case a majority of the votes cast at such election should be in favor of the choosing of such a commission, and which ordinance was duly approved and published and notices of such election were duly given as required by law; and

WHEREAS, said question was duly submitted and voted upon at said election in said city on said date, and the majority of the qualified voters voting at such election voted in favor of the choosing of a commission to frame a new charter, and also a majority of the qualified voters, voting at said election, voted in favor of fifteen qualified citizens of said City to compose said Charter Commission; and

WHEREAS, said election was duly and legally held on the 19th day of December, 1922, and result of said election was duly certified and returned to the City Commission by the proper election officers; and

WHEREAS, on the 2nd day of January, 1923, this commission considered the several returns and canvassed the same, and found that there were cast, at said election, one hundred twenty (120) votes, of which number, eighty four (84) votes were cast for the choosing of a charter commission, and thirty-six (36) votes were cast against the choosing of a charter commission, and this commission thereupon, by resolution, duly entered, declared that the proposition so submitted was sustained and adopted by a majority vote of the qualified voters of said city, voting at said election; and

WHEREAS, the city commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, has examined into and investigated the regularity of the proceedings for said election and finds that the same was duly and legally held, that the notice required by law to be given has been duly and legally given, and that said election was conducted in strict conformity with all the requirements of law; and

WHEREAS, each and all of said fifteen citizens, so elected, duly qualified as members of said charter commission, and met and organized as members of said charter commission, and met and organized the same, and duly proceeded to frame a new charter for the City of Mexia, Texas, and heretofore, on the 3rd day of July, 1923, as such commission, signed such proposed new charter and duly provided for the submission of the same to a vote of the qualified voters of said city, at an election to be held upon the question of the adoption or rejection of said charter upon the 14th day of August, 1923; and

WHEREAS, the said charter commission also provided for an election to be held in said City on said date, for the purpose of electing two persons, each of whom shall have been a resident of said City for, at least, twelve months prior to the date of said election, shall have then attained the age of twenty one years, and each of whom shall have the qualifications of electors qualified to vote for members of the Legislature of the State of Texas, to be Commissioners of said City, under such new charter, and to compose the City Commission thereunder; and

Section 1. That an election shall be held in the City of Mexia, Texas, on the 14th day of August, 1923, at which the following proposition shall be submitted:

Shall the charter reported by the charter commission to the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, on the 3rd day of July, 1923, and which had been prepared by the charter commission duly elected by the qualified voters of the said city on the 19th day of December, 1922, be adopted as the charter of the City of Mexia, Texas, as contemplated and authorized by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, including Chapter 147, Acts of 1913, Regular Session?

Section 2. That the polling places and presiding officers of said election shall be, respectively, as follows: the polling place shall be at the City Hall, in the City of Mexia, Texas, and W. B. Kendrick is hereby designated as presiding officer.

Section 3. That said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 147, Acts of 1913, Regular Session, and all persons qualified to vote in said City under the laws of this State regulating general elections shall be allowed to vote.

Section 4. That the manner of holding said election shall be governed by the general laws of the State of Texas, regulating general elections, when not in conflict with the provisions of the law hereinabove referred to.

Section 5. All voters desiring to adopt a charter so prepared and reported by the charter commission shall have printed on their ballot the following:

OFFICIAL BALLOT  
"Shall the charter prepared by the Charter Commission, which was duly and legally elected on the 19th day of December, 1922, and which was reported by said charter commission to the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, on the 3rd day of July, 1923, be adopted?" "Yes."  
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WHEREAS, the said charter commission provided that the present city commission shall call elections for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, the said charter commission will ratify and confirm and make the enactment of this ordinance its act and deed, and will make such ordinance its order for such election, all of which will be evidenced by the signatures of the members of said charter commission appended hereto under the words: "Approved by Charter Commission;" therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MEXIA, TEXAS:

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Section 6. That at the same time and place designated for holding the above election, in the same form and manner, and by the same election officers, an election shall also be held for the purpose of electing two persons, as aforesaid, to be members of the City Commission of said City, under such charter, if adopted, and form of ballot shall be as follows:

OFFICIAL BALLOT  
"To be Commissioners, and to compose the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, under the new charter."

Section 7. That the name of each person voted for shall be by the voter written at the appropriate place upon the ballot, and the two qualified persons, receiving the highest number of votes cast at such

election, shall, upon the adoption of such charter, be the members of the City Commission of said City, and shall constitute the legislative or governing authority of the city.

Section 8. That the action of the aforesaid charter commission, in calling the election for the purpose hereinafore stated, and in all other respects with reference to the framing and submitting of such proposed charter, are hereby ratified and confirmed, and the said charter commission, of the members thereof, shall ratify and confirm all things done by the present City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, with respect to the matters and things dealt with in this ordinance, and shall make the same their act and deed, by subscribing their respective names hereunto, under the caption, "Approved by Charter Commission," and such names as so subscribed shall be published as a part of this ordinance.

Section 9. A copy of this ordinance shall be sufficient notice of said election, and thirty (30) days notice of the time and place of holding the said election shall be given by posting certified copies thereof at the places designated for holding said election at least thirty (30) days prior to the holding of said election, and by publication of such notice once each week for four weeks, the date of first publication being not less than thirty (30) full days from date of the election.

Section 10. The fact that the present charter of said City is inadequate, and that this public interest requires a change in the form of government of said City, creates an emergency, and an imperative public necessity, for the suspension of the rules regulating ordinances to be read upon more than one day and for the immediate taking effect of this ordinance, and such rules are hereby suspended. And it is ordained that this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Passed and approved this 3rd day of July, 1923.  
Approved: E. Watson, Mayor.  
Attest:  
Jas F. McElroy, City Secretary.  
Approved by Charter Commission:  
W. M. White  
Jno. H. Sweett  
G. W. Perkins  
Jesse McLendon  
J. K. Hughes  
Gene Sinclair  
E. T. Measles  
J. D. Arrington  
J. E. Maddox  
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election, shall, upon the adoption of such charter, be the members of the City Commission of said City, and shall constitute the legislative or governing authority of the city.

Section 8. That the action of the aforesaid charter commission, in calling the election for the purpose hereinafore stated, and in all other respects with reference to the framing and submitting of such proposed charter, are hereby ratified and confirmed, and the said charter commission, of the members thereof, shall ratify and confirm all things done by the present City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, with respect to the matters and things dealt with in this ordinance, and shall make the same their act and deed, by subscribing their respective names hereunto, under the caption, "Approved by Charter Commission," and such names as so subscribed shall be published as a part of this ordinance.

Section 9. A copy of this ordinance shall be sufficient notice of said election, and thirty (30) days notice of the time and place of holding the said election shall be given by posting certified copies thereof at the places designated for holding said election at least thirty (30) days prior to the holding of said election, and by publication of such notice once each week for four weeks, the date of first publication being not less than thirty (30) full days from date of the election.

Section 10. The fact that the present charter of said City is inadequate, and that this public interest requires a change in the form of government of said City, creates an emergency, and an imperative public necessity, for the suspension of the rules regulating ordinances to be read upon more than one day and for the immediate taking effect of this ordinance, and such rules are hereby suspended. And it is ordained that this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Passed and approved this 3rd day of July, 1923.  
Approved: E. Watson, Mayor.  
Attest:  
Jas F. McElroy, City Secretary.  
Approved by Charter Commission:  
W. M. White  
Jno. H. Sweett  
G. W. Perkins  
Jesse McLendon  
J. K. Hughes  
Gene Sinclair  
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## Frankie Bailey Hides Em Out in Los Angeles



Frankie Bailey

This picture of Frankie Bailey was taken when the famous chorus girl, with "The Million Dollar Legs," was the highest-paid stage figure in the United States because of her wonderfully shapely figure. New York raved about her beauty when she was with Weber and Fields, in "Ye Olden Days." Now, her health gone and her beauty marred by age, Frankie Bailey, known to every patron of the stage of two decades ago, is working as a clerk in a drug store in Los Angeles. For years she served as a clerk in a cigar store in the famous Elston Building in Broadway, New York, near the scene of her stage triumphs.

## Gushers Return For Games At Local Park After Very Successful Trip Abroad

The Gushers will return tonight from their Austin contests. This afternoon at Gusher park they will be seen in action. They will meet the formidable team from Corsicana for three games. The Gumbo Busters, always dangerous in a game against Mexia, are probably stronger now than ever before. They have been bested in practically every baseball series of the year in which they have been opposed by the Mexia squad. But it will require real baseball to win from them this time. As the season waxes warm, with pinnant not so distant, all clubs are driving hard towards the goal. Mexia yet has a fine fighting chance to win the flag. With proper backing and encouragement during the remainder of the season, they will win. The road trip resulted favorably, even though the club faced the strong Austin aggregation in Austin while away. Their nine days absence from the local park and the record while away have whetted the appetites of Mexia fans for the games now to be played here. The outcome of these next games will have a very important meaning on the final outcome.

### PRE-NUPITAL SHOWER

Honoring Miss Bettie Kennedy, whose approaching marriage to Cecil Gordon White takes place August 16, Mesdames John Sweatt and George Peyton entertained over 100 guests Wednesday evening with a miscellaneous shower, at the home of Mrs. Sweatt on South Canton street. Promptly at six o'clock the guests began to arrive to be met in the reception hall by Mrs. Sweatt, Miss Kennedy and Mrs. Peyton.

Mrs. Sam Cox and Mrs. Zeno King ushered the ladies into the cozy breakfast room which carried out the decorative scheme in yellow and white. Refreshing punch was there served by Miss Sophronia Ward, and Mrs. Ernest Smith assisted by Miss Mary Sue Mosley, of Weatherford. Leaving this in-

cluding work, paper and pencils were distributed by Mrs. Hutchinson and Miss Anne Stevens, who directed the guests to the sun-parlor and living room which also were made more attractive with baskets of yellow zinnias, sun-flowers, and ferns. The guests being asked to try to answer some puzzle-pictures found pinned on the walls, each representing useful and widely advertised household products and articles, which every bride will need. In this contest Miss Elsie Desonberg having the greatest number of correct answers won the prize which she in turn presented to the fair honoree.

The climax to the evenings entertainment came when everyone entered the dining room to behold the attractiveness of it. A real live, but shy cupid, sitting in a large basket that was beautifully latticed in yellow and white cupe paper. Carrying a tiny yellow and white bedecked parasol, keeping guard over the many beautiful and useful articles, which loving friends wished to shower on the bride. The little cupid was Antoinette Adam, and after the following rhyme recited in her own sweet way by Mrs. R. E. Hickman, the little maid helped the grown maid untie her parcels with

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much delight.

Said Mrs. Hickman.

In the garden of Eden, in days that were old

A boy went a-courting, he was handsome and bold,

The lad used the arts and the wiles of his day,

And as usual, in the end, he had his own way.

The times have not changed, and not lost is the art,

And the lads of this day are doing their part

Hence Cecil went a seekin' to find his soul-mate

And soon after landing, he sure met his fate,

Fair Bettie, the coy, and the shy he did meet,

He sent many flowers, and he piled on the sweets.

So to spread the glad news, we're met here today,

And are bringing out gifts in the old fashioned way.

Individual cakes embossed in yellow, and white and yellow brick cream were served at a late hour.

Others assisting the hostesses, than those already mentioned were Mrs. Jack Womack, Mrs. Rush Allison and Mrs. Walter Boyd.

Mrs. Fay Browder of Groesbeck, daughter of Mr. Chas. Bond, who has been sick for several months is in a much better condition.

J. I. Riddle has purchased from Dyas B. Barry his interest in the Riddle-Barry Undertaking company, corner Commerce and Paris streets and will consolidate that business with that of J. I. Riddle and company, and will personally look after the ambulance and undertaking work.

Mr. J. P. Potts and Mr. O'Reilly, who have apartments up stairs over the new building at 319 E. Commerce street will continue to occupy those apartments and handle the night services as before. Mr. Barry has not decided definitely on his future plans but will likely move to either Fort Worth, or Shreveport, La.

Mr. Jackson, our enterprising service car man, has installed a stage line from Mexia to Corsicana. This car will enable business visitors to Corsicana, to leave Mexia three hours later than the latest train and get into Corsicana in time to transact any business and return the same day.

Genial Joe House, the hustling editor, printer, manager, bookkeeper, collector, in fact the whole cheese (but not big cheese) of the Thornton Hustler, one of the brightest weekly papers that comes to this sanctum, was in the city Saturday afternoon and paid our office an appreciated fraternal call.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Scott and son are visiting with his mother Mrs. S. J. Scott.

### "ONLY 38" SCORES BIG HIT

Scoring a decided hit, "Only 38" William de Mille's new Paramount picture production, featuring May McAvoy, Lois Wilson, Elliott Dexter and George Fawcett, at the National theatre Monday. There is a laugh, sigh or tear in every scene of this splendid comedy-romance.

The story is that of a widowed mother, thirty-eight years old, who longs for romance. Her twin son and daughter are shocked when she accepts the attentions of Prof. Charles Giddings (Elliott Dexter) and they do not hesitate to tell their mother so. To Mrs. Stanley it is a case of making a choice between her love of her children and the professor, who opens up an entirely new life to her. She chooses the former, but in the end the mother's eyes are opened by her daughter's love affair and thus the way is paved to happiness for both.

This production is an honest-to-goodness comedy and it is packed with heart appeal. Admirably supporting



May McAvoy in the Paramount Picture, "Only 38". A William de Mille Production.

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